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MONTREAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA TO RECEIVE \$300,000.

The Honourable Jean-Luc Pepin, Minister for External Relations, announced today that the Government of Canada would provide a \$300,000 grant to the Montreal Symphony Orchestra. The orchestra will go on tour from March 27 to April 15, 1984, during which time it will give a series of 15 concerts in the Federal Republic of Germany, Switzerland, France and England.

This Department of External Affairs grant is part of the Promotional Programme for Canadian Arts abroad. The main purpose of this programme is to provide international exposure for Canadian culture in its creativity and vitality. The Minister is pleased with the significant contribution being made by the private sector in support of this tour.

He also wishes to congratulate the Montreal Symphony Orchestra for its exceptional successes under the direction of Mr. Charles Dutoit.

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