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## MEETING OF THE JOINT COOPERATION COMMITTEE BETWEEN

### CANADA AND THE COMMUNITY,

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A joint communique was issued today in Brussels by Canada and the European Community following consultations between Canadian Ministers and EC Commissioners. The text of the communique follows.

**BRUSSELS** - The Joint Cooperation Committee (JCC), set up under the Framework Agreement between Canada and the EEC, has met on 2 June 1989 in Brussels. This was the 7th meeting of this Committee which deals with commercial and economic cooperation on the basis of the Framework Agreement, signed in 1976.

The Canadian Delegation was led by the Right Honourable Joe Clark, Canadian Secretary of State for External Affairs and the Honourable John Crosbie, Minister for International Trade for Canada, while Vice-President Frans Andriessen, Commissioner responsible for External Relations and Trade Policy, headed the Commission Delegation.

The JCC was preceded by an informal meeting between the Canadian Ministers and Mr. Andriessen at which Vice-President Manuel Marin, Commissioner responsible for Fisheries and Mr. Ray McSharry, Commissioner for Agriculture, also participated.

The President of the Commission, Jacques Delors, also received the two ministers.

The meeting imparted a renewed political momentum to the Canada-EC relationship, and permitted a thorough review of multilateral questions and bilateral trade issues.

Both parties underlined the importance of the political relationship between the European Community and Canada and agreed that contacts at political level should be intensified.

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