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This Lockheed 1011-500 will inaugurate Air Canada's Singapore-Bombay-London flight three times a week beginning January 17, 1985. On that Thursday, Flight 859 will depart Changi Airport at 22:10 arriving in London at 6:35 local time on January 18. It will then continue its journey, crossing the Atlantic with arrival in Toronto at 12:05 local time that same day. Flight 858 will make the return flight. This trip half way around the world will take approximately 22 hours, including stopovers and is Air Canada's first passenger service into the ASEAN region.

British Columbia in Business

The British Columbia Ministry of Industry and Small Business Development in cooperation with the Singapore Federation Chamber of Commerce and Industry (SFCCI) recently held business development seminars in Singapore, Kuala Lumpur and Hong Kong.

Assistant Deputy Minister Robert Food and two colleagues from the Ministry, Michael Clarke and David Eggleston presented British Columbia as an export/import market, and as a site for investment through the medium of an informative slide presentation to leaders of the business community in the cities they visited.

Some 110 businessmen attended the seminar in Singapore. Three days of specialized meetings with individuals interested in trade and investment in British Columbia followed.

His Excellency, Mr. John Small, Canadian High Commissioner to Malaysia opened the Malaysian seminar which had an attendance of sixty businessmen. The presentation was followed by a reception at the Merlin Hotel.

The enthusiastic response to the seminar proved that British Columbia is seen as a fertile environment for investment and trade.

Defence Products Mission To Visit

In late November a Defence Products Mission headed by Roger Chan of the Defence Products branch of the Canadian Department of External Affairs will visit Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, Bangkok and Jakarta to explore potential markets for Canada's advanced defence equipment.

Among the leading Canadian firms forming part of the mission will be Vega Helicopters, Computing Devices, Ray-

theon, Bell Aerospace, Versatech Marine, DAF Indal, Spar Aerospace Aviation Services, Canadian Marconi, Irvin Industries, Menasco, and CAE Electronics.

In Singapore the group will meet with Ministry of Defence officials, Singaporean defence manufacturers and agents and will have the opportunity to visit naval and air force installations at the invitation of the Ministry of Defence.

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