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MINISTER CROSBIE TO ATTEND THE QUADRILATERAL TRADE
MINISTERS MEETING AT GULL LAKE, MINNESOTA

International Trade Minister, John C. Crosbie, will attend a Quadrilateral Trade Ministers meeting with his counterparts from the United States, Japan and the European Community on June 22-24. The meeting is being held at Gull Lake, Minnesota.

The United States Trade Representative, Ambassador Clayton Yeutter, will host the meeting. European Communities Commissioner, Willy de Clercq, and Japanese Minister for International Trade and Industry, Mr. H. Tamura will also be in attendance. This meeting follows the Quadrilateral Mr. Crosbie hosted at April Point, British Columbia last April.

Mr. Crosbie expressed his satisfaction with the opportunity the Quadrilateral affords for Canada to present its views on the Multilateral Trade Negotiations.

"Canada, as a trading nation, is committed to the liberalization of world trade," he said. "The two track trade strategy this government is pursuing has seen the successful negotiation of the Free Trade Agreement with our largest trading partner. The Uruguay Round of the MIN is our chance to assist in extending the benefits of freer trade to the multilateral arena."

Discussions at this Quadrilateral meeting will focus on the Uruguay Round of Multilateral Trade Negotiations. The meeting will provide Ministers an opportunity to exchange views on the progress in the negotiations being conducted in Geneva under the auspices of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. It is one of several important opportunities for discussion of progress in the lead-up to the Mid-Term Review Conference being held in Montréal in December.

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