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NEW LABOUR MEMBERS NAMED TO
INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

International Trade Minister John C. Crosbie announced today the appointment of five new labour members to the private sector-based International Trade Advisory Committee (ITAC).

"I am very pleased to welcome these five prominent labour leaders on the recommendation of Canadian Labour Congress (CLC) President Shirley Carr," Mr. Crosbie said. "They will add to the already important contribution being made by Canadian Federation of Labour President James McCambly in ensuring that labour's interests have a positive influence on trade issues."

Mr. Crosbie indicated that the ITAC is focussing on the implementation of the Canada-U.S. Free Trade Agreement (FTA) and the current round of the multilateral trade negotiations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

The ITAC is part of a trade advisory system which also includes 13 Sectoral Advisory Groups on International Trade (SAGITs). The ITAC and the SAGITs were created in response to the wishes of the private sector to have a broadly based formal structure to provide confidential two-way flow of information and advice between the Government and the private sector on international trade matters.

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