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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, announced today that the Finance Minister of India, Mr. Morarji R. Desai, will be visiting Ottawa on Monday and Tuesday, September 24-25: Mr. Desai will be accompanied by Mr. L.K. Jha, Secretary, Department of Lconomic Affairs of the Indian Ministry of Finance, and Mr. V.Y. Tompe, Private Secretary to the Finance Minister.

while in Ottawa, Mr. Desai and Mr. Jha will have discussions concerning economic and technical assistance and trade relations between Canada and India. They will also call on the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Trade and Commerce, the Director General of the External Aid Office and will have meetings with senior Government officials.

The visitors will be guests of honour at a dinner at which the Minister of Finance, the Honourable G.C. Nowlan, will be host.

Mr. Desai will hold a rress conference in the Large Conference Room of the East Block at 3.30 p.m., Tuesday September 25.