The appointment of the initial membership of the Board, constitutes a further significant move in the organization of the Asia-Packfic Foundation, which was incorporated by Act of Parliament and proclaimed on June 14. The creation of the Foundation symbolizes Canada's commitment to enhancing its ties westward across the Pacific.

The Foundation will encourage creative initiatives involving Business and Policy Programmes, Information and Publications, Public Affairs, Cultural Programmes, and Educational and Training Activities. Another dimension of the Foundation's activities will be a reinforcement of Canada's commitment to the North/South dialogue.