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MINISTER KELLEHER

ANNOUNCES MAJOR ORDERS FOR CANADIAN AEROSAPCE

The Honorable James Kelleher, Minister for International Trade, today announced contract signings totalling more than 97 million at the Paris International Air Show.

The contracts included:

- a \$23 million order from the US Navy for Indal Technologies Inc. of Mississauga, Ont. to supply 14 recovery, assist, securing and traversing systems that help helicopters land safely on ships at sea;
- a \$13 million contract for Menasco Aerospace Ltd of Oakville Ont. to design, develop and produce primary and secondary flight control actuators for the Fokker 100, an advanced short-to-medium range airliner set for introduction by the Dutch company in 1987;
- a contract of almost \$1 million for Aerotech International of Winnipeg, Man. to supply portable heating systems to the Dutch and Italian armies.

In addition, Mr. Kelleher also announced that Rexdale, Ont's Garrett Manufacturing Limited had signed an agreement with companies from the United States, Italy and Spain to pursue a NATO contract for a submunition dispenser (LOCPD).

Speaking to a group of Canadian aerospace executives at the world's largest trade fair and air show, the Canadian Minister for International Trade also said he would report to Cabinet on the possible means of reducing barriers to trade between Canada and the United States. He expects to make his report before the end of June, and added that "it is my fervent hope that a new round of GATT negotiations can get underway next year."