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## MACLAREN ANNOUNCES VISIT OF VIETNAMESE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER KHAI

The Honourable Roy MacLaren, Minister for International Trade, today announced that His Excellency Phan Van Khai, Deputy Prime Minister of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, will make an official visit to Canada from June 15 to 22.

Mr. Khai will be in Vancouver on June 15 and 16, Calgary June 17 and 18, Montreal June 19 and 20, and Ottawa June 21 and 22. The visit follows the recent trade mission to Viet Nam by Transport Minister Doug Young in April and the visit to Canada of the Vietnamese Minister of Trade and Tourism Le Van Triet in August 1993.

While in Ottawa, he will meet with the Right Honourable Jean Chrétien, Prime Minister of Canada, Minister of Foreign Affairs André Ouellet, Mr. MacLaren, Minister of Citizenship and Immigration Sergio Marchi and Secretary of State (Asia Pacific) Raymond Chan. During his stay, Mr. Khai will also meet with British Columbia Premier Michael Harcourt, Alberta Premier Ralph Klein and Quebec Premier Daniel Johnson.

Given Deputy Prime Minister Khai's responsibility for the Vietnamese economy, his visit will focus on trade and economic relations between Canada and Viet Nam. Mr. Khai will have an opportunity to observe first hand Canadian capabilities in key export sectors such as transportation, telecommunications and oil and gas through calls on leading Canadian companies. The visit will also provide an opportunity to review other aspects of the Canada-Vietnam bilateral relationship.

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