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TRADE MINISTER MEETS PROVINCIAL COUNTERPARTS

The Honourable James Kelleher, Minister for International Trade, announced today that he had met in Toronto on October 16 with the Honourable Frank Miller to discuss a number of international trade issues facing Canada. Mr. Miller is Minister of Industry and Trade in the Government of Ontario.

The talks were introductory in nature, Mr. Kelleher said, and served to define areas of mutual interest in trade development.

The Minister noted that his meeting with Mr. Miller was one of a series of such meetings planned with his provincial counterparts across Canada during Export Trade Month. Mr. Kelleher presented the 1984 Canada Export Award to 14 companies in a special ceremony in the Metro Toronto Convention Centre on Tuesday, October 16, and is attending several events across the country during October highlighting the importance of exports to the Canadian economy. "There is a great need in our country for a common approach by the federal and provincial governments to the difficulties confronting our international trade", the Minister said. He added that he was looking forward to a close and harmonious working relationship with his provincial counterparts.