Minister for External Relations

8-16 February 1982	Tunisia, Morocco	Trade Mission/JEC
19-21 April 1982	Algeria	Trade Mission/JEC
3-11 October 1982	Senegal, Gabon, Togo	Trade Mission
12-15 November 1982	Iraq	Trade Mission
18-20 November 1982	Algeria	Trade Mission
18-30 March 1983	Guinea, Mali, Cameroun, Nigeria	Trade Mission/JEC
4-6 May 1983	Могоссо	Trade Mission
26-29 April 1986	Algeria	Trade Mission

Other Ministers

16-27 May 1986	Forestry	Finland, Sweden, Norway	Trade Mission
28 November 1986	Regional Industrial Expansion	France	Trade Mission
21 January - 4 February 1988	Transport	Turkey, Nepal, India, Thailand	Trade Mission
15-24 June 1988	Treasury Board	Japan, China, Hong Kong	Trade Mission
30 June - 11 July 1988	Deputy PM	Australia, New Zealand	Trade Mission
11-16 November 1990	Small Business	Korea, Australia	Trade Mission

Methodology

There is no central registry of ministerial travel. This chart was derived from departmental press releases dating from the consolidation of the Trade Commissioner Service into External Affairs and International Trade Canada. As such, the data presented may be incomplete; frequent travel by the Minister for International Trade during the FTA and ongoing NAFTA negotiations is unreported. In compiling the data, we have allowed for double counting where appropriate; for example, MINT travel to Europe recently has included both a trade development component (i.e., a trade mission to particular countries) and a trade policy component (i.e., plurilateral and multilateral meetings such as the Quadrilaterals, OECD, ECCanada bilateral negotiations, APEC and the GATT). We have not, however, counted SSEA participation in such meetings; we have only counted SSEA visits where the SSEA was accompanied by business visitors and/or headed the Canadian delegation to a joint bilateral economic commission. The SSEA trade policy role was only counted when unaccompanied by MINT. The same rule was applied to the Minister of State for External Relations and other ministers.