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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
TO HOLD BILATERAL MEETINGS WITH EUROPEAN FOREIGN MINISTERS
ON FEBRUARY 11, 1990

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, announced today that he will be holding a series of bilateral meetings with Foreign Ministers from several European countries who will be in Ottawa attending the Open Skies Conference.

Mr. Clark will meet separately with the Foreign Ministers of the German Democratic Republic, Romania, the United Kingdom, Bulgaria, and France on February 11. Mr. Clark met with the Hungarian Foreign Minister on February 8.

The gathering together in Ottawa of the 23 Foreign Ministers of NATO and the Warsaw Pact is an unprecedented opportunity to discuss the changes sweeping Eastern Europe and the USSR and to examine possibilities for constructing new political, economic and security relationships between the countries of North America and Europe. The Foreign Ministers are attending the Ministerial portion of the Open Skies Conference from February 12-14.

The meetings between Mr. Clark and his European counterparts will provide an opportunity for discussion of bilateral issues of common interest to Canada and each of the above countries.