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PRESS RELEASES:

Canada Announces Evacuation of Bosnian Patients

External Affairs Minister Perrin Beatty and Minister of National Defence Thomas Siddon announced that Canada will airlift up to 20 Sarajevo hospital patients needing immediate medical treatment. Canada will also contribute an additional \$500 000 to the Canadian Red Cross Society for the provision of emergency medical assistance in the region. "The suffering of victims in these poorly equipped and overtaxed hospitals has touched us all, said Mr. Beatty. "We have been overwhelmed by offers of assistance from organizations and individuals across the country." Canada's contribution to humanitarian assistance in the former Yugoslavia is approximately \$38 million. Additional assistance will be considered in consultation with UN and Red Cross officials working in the region. Individuals wishing to contribute funds or services are encouraged to contact the Canadian Red Cross Society, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) or other international relief organizations operating in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

McKnight to Meet Mexican Officials on Use of Wheat Board Export Subsidies by the United States

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The Honourable Tom Hockin, Minister for International Trade, and the Honourable Charles Mayer, Minister of Agriculture, announced that former Agriculture Minister Bill McKnight will meet with Mexican officials on Canadian agricultural concerns, including the use of the Export Enhancement Program (EEP) by the United States to target Canada's wheat export sales to Mexico. "We are deeply concerned about the recent announcement by the United States to use the EEP on wheat sales to Mexico, which is a traditional Canadian market," said Mr. Hockin. "We have already held consultations with the United States under the dispute settlement provisions of the Canada-U.S. Free Trade Agreement."

Diplomatic Appointments

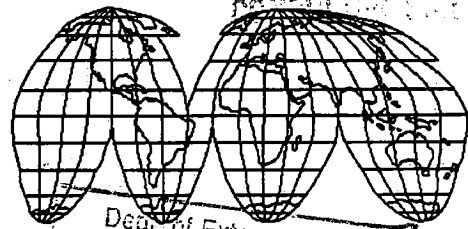
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External Affairs Minister Perrin Beatty announces the following appointments: **Marc Brault**, born in Montreal, Quebec, as Ambassador to the Republic of South Africa; **Brian Dickson**, Q.C., born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, as Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the Organization of American States in Washington; **Mark Entwistle**, born in Montreal, Quebec, as Ambassador to the Republic of Cuba; **James Fox**, born in Windsor, Ontario, as Ambassador to the Republic of Guatemala with concurrent accreditation to the Republic of El Salvador; **Peter J.A. Hancock**, born in Stokesby, Norfolk, England, as Ambassador to the Republic of Turkey; **Leonard Legault**, born in Gravelbourg, Saskatchewan, as Ambassador to the Holy See; **Archie McArthur**, born in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, as Ambassador to the Republic of Colombia; **Simon Wade**, born in Victoria, British Columbia, as High Commissioner to the Republic of Guyana with concurrent accreditation to the Republic of Suriname as Ambassador.

Beatty Deplores Continuing Violence in South Africa

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External Affairs Minister Perrin Beatty continues to express his dismay at the escalating violence in South Africa. He again urged all leaders and parties to pursue negotiations in good faith and to ensure that their supporters adhere strictly to the letter and spirit of the National Peace Accords. "The senseless killing and maiming is causing untold misery and must be stopped," Mr. Beatty said. "A durable solution to the underlying causes of violence will only come with a negotiated political settlement," the Minister added, indicating that, as Chairman of the Commonwealth Committee of Foreign Ministers on Southern Africa, he had been following closely the encouraging progress of the negotiations.



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