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CANADIAN PARTICIPATION IN THE PARIS AIR SHOW

The Honourable Gerald Regan, Minister of State, International Trade, announced today that 31 Canadian aérospace companies will participate in the 35th Salon international de l'aéronautique et de l'espace (Paris International Air Show) to be held in Paris, France, May 26 to June 5, 1983.

Mr. Regan said Canadian participation in the Paris International Air Show (PIAS) is a joint industry/government effort which represents an investment of over \$2 million, of which his department is contributing \$400,000.

Mr. Regan said that through the Department of External Affairs and our Embassy in Paris, the government will coordinate and facilitate the industry's participation in the show by grouping Canadian exhibitors under one roof in the Canadian pavilion.

The biennial PIAS is the most important international aerospace trade show in the world today, Mr. Regan said. "In 1981, there were over 890 exhibitors. The show also attracted industry executives and senior government and military officials from 127 countries who examined and compared the latest aerospace innovations the world had to offer."