

International Parliamentary Union's spring meeting; in September, the Canadian Olympic hockey team travelled to Prague for the *Rudo Pravo* hockey tournament. The Orford Quartet performed at the Bratislava Music Festival in October.

Relations with Hungary were particularly active in 1979. The Hungarian Minister responsible for building and urban development visited Canada in February. The following month, an agreement on scientific co-operation was signed in Budapest between the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada and the Academy of Sciences of Hungary. In March as well, the first meeting of the Canada-Hungary Joint Committee on Veterinary Co-operation was held in Ottawa. In May, officials of the Department of External Affairs travelled to Budapest for discussions on a possible consular convention. A Deputy Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs carried out political consultations in Budapest in August. Hungarian-Canadian economic discussions took place in Budapest in late October (further to the above-mentioned agreement on scientific co-operation). Finally, in November, a memorandum of understanding in the field of television was signed between Magyar Televezio and the CBC during the visit to

Ottawa of the president of the Hungarian television network.

Canada/German Democratic Republic (GDR) political consultations were held in Ottawa in March, with the Vice Foreign Minister leading the visiting delegation. In May, the GDR's First Deputy Minister of Foreign Trade visited Ottawa; discussions took place on ways of furthering commercial relations between Canada and the GDR. Productive co-operation in the area of fisheries continued with joint consultations held in January to review reserve allocations and commensurate benefit proposals for 1979.

The Bulgarian Minister of Agriculture visited Canada as the guest of the Minister of Agriculture in November 1979. This successful visit provided an opportunity for the ministers to sign a veterinary memorandum of understanding, and laid the groundwork for increased trade and co-operation in agriculture and related areas. In December, the Bulgarian Deputy Minister of Foreign Trade led a delegation to Ottawa for the annual Canada-Bulgaria trade consultations; these were useful in resolving some of the irritants in bilateral trade and identifying areas where trade and co-operation could be expanded.