The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Mitchell Sharp, announced today that the Foreign Minister of Luxembourg, His Excellency Gaston Thorn, will be making an official visit to Ottawa on February 19 and 20, 1973. Mr. Thorn's visit is in response to an invitation from Mr. Sharp, who accompanied Their Excellencies the Governor General and Mrs. Michener on their visit to Luxembourg in April 1971.

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Mr. Thorn will be spending a day in Montreal on his way to Ottawa.

(Notes on relations between Canada and Luxembourg and a curriculum vitae of Mr. Thorn are attached.)

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