

CANADA/JAPAN FOOTNOTES

- Prime Minister Takeshita is the eighth Japanese Prime Minister to visit Canada (January 1988).
- 1988 marks the 60th anniversary of Prime Minister Mackenzie King's announcement that Canada intended to establish full diplomatic relations with Japan.
- Canada is proceeding with plans to rebuild the Embassy in Tokyo as a dynamic new complex "Canada Place" across from the Imperial Household Palace. The building, designed by Japanese-Canadian Raymond Moriyama, will serve as an architectural showcase and cultural centre, and contains surplus space for leasing to Canadian commercial entities.
- Japan has become Canada's second largest source of tourists.
- As of September 1987, there were 2,555 Japanese students in Canada, the majority of whom were studying English.
- In November 1986 Honda Canada Inc. became the first Japanese automaker to open a Canadian plant and in 1988 announced a major expansion of its plant in Alliston, Ontario.
- At the end of 1987, 8 of the top 10 banks ranked by value of deposits were Japanese-owned.
- Canada's twice as dependent on exports as a percentage of GNP (28%) as Japan (13%).
- Canada has a diplomatic mission in Osaka in addition to Tokyo. Japan maintains diplomatic offices outside Ottawa in Edmonton, Montreal, Toronto, Vancouver and Winnipeg and has honorary representatives in Halifax and Regina.
- In Canada, October is Exports Promotion Month. In Japan, October 1987 was Import Promotion Month.
- The Japanese government contributes only 20% to the total R&D effort of the country. Canada is precisely the opposite, at 80%.