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CLARK TO HOST ASEAN FOREIGN MINISTERS IN JASPER IN OCTOBER

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, announced in Jakarta today that the Foreign Ministers of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) have accepted his invitation to meet in Jasper, Alberta, October 5-7, 1990, to discuss Canada-ASEAN relations and future cooperation on international affairs.

Mr. Clark made the announcement during his visit to Indonesia where he is attending the ASEAN Post-Ministerial Conference, the annual consultations with his counterparts from ASEAN countries: Brunei, Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

In discussing his plans for the ASEAN Ministers' visit to Canada, Mr. Clark indicated that several events will be organized in Alberta to build on the ASEAN Ministers' presence in Canada and promote closer business, academic and other nongovernmental links between Canada and Southeast Asia.

These events will include a seminar in Calgary on business opportunities in ASEAN markets, organized by the ASEAN-Canada Business Council of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce. The University of Calgary will also host an academic roundtable on Canada-ASEAN relations.

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