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ON THE TRANSFER OF INMATES: ENTRY INTO FORCE

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, and the Solicitor General, the Honourable Elmer MacKay, announce the entry into force, on May 22, 1985, of the Treaty between Canada and Bolivia on the Transfer of Inmates and the Supervision of Persons under Sentence, which was signed in La Paz on March 6, 1980.

The Treaty is a good example of the cooperative relationship which exists between Canada and Bolivia and illustrates their mutual desire to facilitate, on humanitarian grounds, the social rehabilitation of inmates by enabling them to serve the remainder of their sentences in their home countries.

Under the Treaty, an inmate who so desires may apply to serve his sentence in his country of nationality. The transfer of inmates can take place only after all rights of appeal have been exhausted in the sentencing country. No transfer will take place without the consent of the individual concerned and approval by both countries.

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