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McDougall to Participate in Conference of Southeast Asian Nations

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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, will lead the Canadian delegation to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations Post Ministerial Conference (ASEAN PMC) in Manila, July 23-26. The PMC brings together the foreign ministers of the six ASEAN countries and the foreign ministers of Canada, Australia, Japan, Korea, New-Zealand, the United States and the European Community. "Canada's relationship with ASEAN offers us a valuable link with Southeast Asia," said -Mrs. McDougall. "It allows us to discuss our common interests and concerns about human rights, security, trade and democratic development."

Canada Ratifies Open Skies Treaty

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The Honourable Barbara McDougall announced that Canada has become the first country to complete the process of ratifying the Open Skies Treaty. Canada's Instrument of Ratification was deposited in Budapest. "Canada is proud of its pioneering role in launching this effort to help reduce global military tension," said Mrs. McDougall. "We have worked hard to bring about this historic level of transparency in military activities in all participating countries." The Treaty, signed by 25 nations belonging to NATO and countries of the former Warsaw Pact, allows signatories to conduct short-hotice observation flights over one another's territory. It is designed to foster confidence among states by opening military activities to outside inspection.

Most Popular in Seville, Canada Pavilion Greets its Millionth Visitor

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The Honourable Michael Wilson, Minister of Industry, Science and Technology and Minister for International Trade, announced that the Canada Pavilion at Expo '92 in Seville, Spain, received its onemillionth visitor this morning. The lucky visitor was Miguel Angel Vargas Jimenez of Malaga, Spain. recent survey of visitors to Expo '92 confirmed that Canada's is the most popular pavilion on the site. outstanding architecture of the building and the many interesting exhibits and presentations have made this one of the most popular attractions at Expo '92," Mr. Wilson said. The theme of the Canadian pavilion, "Discover Canada, Discover a New World," encourages visitors to explore Canadian innovations and discoveries in science and technology, our spectacular scenery and our modern multicultural society.

Statements

"We are well on our way to building a NAFTA framework that-will bring benefits to all three countries for years to come. Canada's objectives in these negotiations, we should recall, have not changed: opening the highly protected Mexican market to Canadian exporters of goods, services and investment capital; maintaining, and where possible improving, the benefits we achieved in the FTA; and ensuring that Canada remains a highly attractive location for job-creating foreign investment and technology. Our involvement in the NAFTA will help us attract investment, which would not be the case if we were excluded.

Press Statement by the Honourable Michael Wilson, Minister of Industry, Science and Technology and Minister for International Trade, on the Federal-Provincial Trade Ministers Meeting (Ottawa, July 20, 1992, No. 92/32).

Upcoming Events.

July 23-25, 1992:

September 11-12, 1992:

September 15, 1992 December 14-15, 1992 ASEAN meeting (Manila, Philippines)

Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation Ministerial Meeting

(Bangkok, Thailand)

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