



communiqué

N°:
No.: 199

October 13, 1987.

STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
ON THE MICHAEL DEEVER CASE

The Right Honourable Joe Clark, Secretary of State for External Affairs, today rejected the attempt made by Mr. Whitney N. Seymour Jr., U.S. Independent Counsel, in a letter to Canadian Embassy Counsel of October 2, to have the Government of Canada relinquish its sovereign rights under international law and to allow Ambassador Alan Gottlieb to testify at the forthcoming trial of Mr. Michael K. Deaver.

Mr. Clark said that in view of this extraordinary situation he has decided to release Mr. Seymour's letter and the text of a Note of protest sent to the State Department on October 9, 1987. (Copies attached).