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MAJOR SULPHUR SALE TO U.S.S.R.

The Honourable James F. Kelleher, Minister for International Trade, today announced what is believed to be the largest single annual sulphur contract ever signed. For 1986, Cansulex Ltd. of Vancouver has agreed to supply the Soviet Foreign Trade Organization, Soyuzpromexport, with up to 830,000 tonnes of sulphur, 480,000 tonnes of which is expected to be shipped in the first six months of the year. This constitutes an impressive increase over 1985. (Statistics Canada figures indicate that 232,000 tonnes were shipped for the first 11 months of last year.)

Total sulphur sales to the USSR for 1986 will be well over the \$100 million Canadian figure. This accomplishment is the result of increased emphasis on phosphatic fertilizer production within the USSR and the marketing position which Cansulex has been able to achieve with Soyuzpromexport.

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