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CANADA APPOINTS COMMISSIONERS FOR THE SAO PAULO AND VENICE BIENNALES

The Right Honourable Joe Clark, the Secretary of State for External Affairs, is pleased to announce the choice of the Canadian Commissioners for the Sao Paulo Biennale which will be held from October 14 to December 19, 1989 and for the Venice Biennale to be held from June to September 1990.

Ms. France Morin in partnership with the National Art Gallery of Canada will organize the Canadian representation in Sao Paulo with the works of the artist Betty Goodwin. At the Venice Biennale, Ms. Chantal Pontbriand, director of Parachute magazine, in association with the National Gallery of Canada will organize the Canadian representation with the works of the artist Geneviève Cadieux.

France Morin and Chantal Pontbriand were applicants in a recent national competition established by the Department of External Affairs in collaboration with the National Gallery of Canada and the Canada Council. Invitations were extended to both independent and institutional curators throughout Canada. The jury was composed of Ms. France Gascon of Montreal, Ms. Carol Phillips of Winnipeg, Mr. Ian Wallace of Vancouver and Ms. Peggy Gale of Toronto.

This joint venture confirms the increasing importance the Department of External Affairs attaches to the presentation of the work of Canadian artists in an international context.

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