
THE HONOURABLE MICHAEL WILSON MINISTER OF FINANCE

Mr. Wilson was born in Toronto in 1937 and educated at Upper Canada College and the University of Toronto, where he received a Bachelor of Commerce degree. He is a former executive vice-president of the Canadian investment firm Dominion Securities.

First elected to the House of Commons in May 1979, Michael Wilson was appointed Minister of State for International Trade on June 4 of that year. Re-elected to Parliament on February 18, 1980 he subsequently served as Party spokesman for a number of portfolios including: Industry, Trade and Commerce; Energy; Finance and Regional Industrial Expansion. In 1983 he was a candidate for the leadership of the federal Progressive Conservative Party.

Mr. Wilson has served as a member of the Caucus Priorities and Planning Committee; as chairman of the Caucus committee for Economic Development and Job Creation; and as a member of Mr. Mulroney's Council of Economic Advisors.

Mr. Wilson and his colleague, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, Secretary of State for External Affairs, co-chaired the 1985 meeting of Council at the Ministerial level of the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

