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CLAIMS AGAINST THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (EAST GERMANY)

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Don Jamieson, announced today that the Governments of Canada and the German Democratic Republic have agreed to commence negotiations with a view to reaching a settlement of outstanding property questions between Canadian citizens and the Government of the German Democratic Republic.

Canadians who have property claims outstanding against the German Democratic Republic are to submit details of their claims to the Department of External Affairs before January 31, 1979, in order that they may be considered for inclusion in the forthcoming claims negotiations.

Further details, together with forms and instructions on procedures to be followed by claimants, are available from:

> Economic Law Section Legal Advisory Division Department of External Affairs Lester B. Pearson Building 125 Sussex Drive Ottawa, Ontario KlA 0G2

