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MINISTER EMERSON TO HOLD MEDIA TELECONFERENCE FROM BEIJING, CHINA

The Honourable David Emerson, Minister of International Trade and Minister for the Pacific Gateway and the Vancouver-Whistler Olympics, will hold a media teleconference from Beijing, China on Tuesday, January 16, 2007.

Minister Emerson, accompanied by James Moore, Parliamentary Secretary for the Pacific Gateway and the Vancouver-Whistler Olympics, is leading two Canadian business delegations to Hong Kong, Beijing and Shanghai, China, from January 14 to 19. The trip provides an opportunity to advance Canada-China bilateral relations by highlighting the opportunities available to Canadian companies in China, improving Canada's visibility in China and promoting Canada as a leading edge innovative partner.

Minister Emerson is meeting with Chinese officials with a view to strengthening Canada's overall bilateral commercial relationship with China, signing a Science and Technology (S&T) Cooperation Agreement, showcasing Canadian expertise in certain strategic sectors and promoting Canada as the best gateway between Asia and North America.

Event: Media teleconference
Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2007
Time: 9:30 a.m. EST

Earlier on January 16, Minister Emerson will be signing the Science and Technology Cooperation agreement with Xu Guanhua, China's Minister for Science and Technology. He will also give a keynote speech to Canadian and Chinese business leaders. A news release highlighting the S&T Agreement and a copy of Minister Emerson's address will be posted shortly before the teleconference begins at <http://www.international.gc.ca/commerce/china/menu-en.asp>.

Media representatives wishing to participate in the teleconference should dial:

North American dial-in number: 1-888-265-0464
International dial-in number: 613-954-4096
Teleconference ID number: 6044972

