

as a forum for consultation and formulation of recommendations in the area of trade and economic co-operation between the two countries....

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"The two ministers, recognizing the mutual interest in increasing industrial co-operation, and taking into account the Brazilian requirements concerning the import content of certain equipment, noted with satisfaction the disposition of the Economic Development Corporation to extend to Finame — an organization of the National Bank for Economic Development — and other Brazilian enterprises, financing to facilitate the sale of Canadian industrial components and equipment related to major development projects in Brazil. They also shared pleasure at the announcement of the conclusion of new Economic Development Corporation financing agreements in support of Canadian participation in Brazilian projects for electrical generation and distribution, for oil production equipment for Garoupa Oil Field and in the pulp and paper industry. They viewed favourably the prospects for further Canadian participation in major industrial and infrastructural projects in Brazil, including hydro-electric, railways, telecommunications, airport construction and engineering sectors.

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"The two ministers expressed the hope for the successful conclusion of negotiations for an agreement between Canada and Brazil to avoid double taxation as a contribution to improving the economic and financial exchanges between the two countries.

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"The ministers noted that within the framework of a special Canadian fund administered by the Inter-American Development Bank, Brazil utilized Canadian \$13.7 million to finance activities related to Canadian competence in the sectors of electrical energy and mining exploration.

#### Technology, science and culture

"With regard to technical and scientific co-operation, the Minister of External Affairs of Brazil showed the appreciation of the Brazilian Government for Canada's participation in the implementation of the second national program of technical co-operation in the fields of professional training,

electricity, fisheries, geology, telecommunications, forestry and agricultural development, urban development and food and computer sciences.

"To finance these activities both countries agreed on the expenditure over the period of 1977 to 1981 of contributions by Canada totalling approximately Canadian \$17.5 million, and by Brazil totalling approximately \$62.7 million.

"The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Minister of External Relations and the Brazilian Minister of Finance signed a loan agreement of Canadian \$5 million for the financing of projects in the sectors of telecommunications; training of personnel in the electricity sector; processing and engineering in the field of mining; research in electrical energy and technical consulting services.

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"Both ministers mentioned their satisfaction in signing, at the suggestion of Canada, a memorandum of understanding on tripartite co-operation: Brazil and Canada will co-ordinate efforts and resources in technical co-operation, with the developing countries that manifest an interest in such tripartite co-operation, in fields such as food production and marketing, housing, and technical training.

"The two ministers concurred in the desirability of increasing co-operation in the general field of science and technology. For this purpose it was agreed that the best way to identify the possibilities would be by an exchange of study teams composed of appropriate scientists.

"The ministers noted with satisfaction that, following a meeting with the Brazilian Minister of Agriculture, Sr Alysso Paulinelli, it was agreed that officials from the respective Departments of Agriculture would exchange visits to investigate the possibility of co-operation in joint projects or exchanges. An invitation to Sr Paulinelli to visit Canada was reiterated.

"The ministers emphasized their desire to increase cultural exchanges between the two countries. Existing exchanges were reviewed, and it was noted that, on the Canadian side, they include programs foreseeing the possibility of lectures, inter-faculty exchanges and joint research projects, reciprocal exchange of language

assistants, and youth exchanges. The Canadian Government also plans to increase its scholarship program. On the Brazilian side, various cultural activities are planned, including the expansion of the program of readerships in Canada, the donation of basic books for students of Portuguese, an increase in the number of scholarships granted to Canadians, as well as the establishment of an Institute of Brazilian Studies in Ottawa. It was announced that during 1977 the Grands Ballets Canadiens will tour Brazil. The two ministers signified their intention to encourage further concrete projects of this nature.

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"The Canadian Secretary of State for External Affairs extended an invitation to his Excellency Ambassador Azeredo Da Silveira to return the visit at a mutually convenient time. The Minister of External Relations of Brazil accepted this invitation with pleasure."

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#### Peru

In Lima, Peru, the next stop on the tour, Mr. Jamieson told guests at a dinner in honour of Foreign Minister José de la Puente, that one of the largest assistance programs Canada had with Latin America was in Peru. Exports to that country had almost doubled from 1970 to 1975 and imports had almost tripled.

Mr. Jamieson noted that, as a result of the visit of a Peruvian trade mission to Canada in September 1975, the Export Development Corporation had agreed to consider projects up to a value of \$300 million. He also referred to the visit of the President of the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) in March 1976, and that of a Canadian trade mission last June. "Now," said Mr. Jamieson, "I have come to build on what has been done in the past and to prepare for the future."

#### Technical agreements

During Mr. Jamieson's stay in Peru from January 18 to 21, six new subsidiary agreements for technical co-operation were signed amounting to some \$10 million, covering: the investigation and production of a rapeseed crop, integrated to other crops cultivated in the highlands; a training pro-