Canada-Luxembourg Bilateral Relations

Canada maintains good relations with Luxembourg. The most recent initiative between our two countries was the signing, in January 1989, of the Convention to Avoid Double Taxation and to Prevent Tax Evasion.

Canada and Luxembourg's shared views and interests are mainly expressed through international institutions such as the United Nations (UN), the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe (CSCE), the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and la Francophonie. In November 1990, the Declaration on Relations between Canada and the EC brought Canada and the 12 member states of the EC closer together; it is responsibility of Luxembourg, during its presidency, to strengthen this political dialogue and transatlantic ties.

Luxembourg's exports to Canada totalled \$27 million in 1989, Canada's a mere \$3.7 million. Since Luxembourg belongs to a customs union with Belgium, separate foreign investment statistics are not compiled. However, investment in Canada by Belgium and Luxembourg was estimated at \$480 million in 1988, while Canadian investment in these two countries totalled \$139 million in 1986.

Official visits have included Grand Duke Jean's attendance at the Calgary Olympic Games in February 1988 and the meeting between foreign affairs minister Jacques Poos and his Canadian counterpart in January 1991.