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McDOUGALL WELCOMES NOMINATION OF NEW SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, today welcomed the Security Council's decision to nominate Dr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali for the office of Secretary-General of the United Nations.

"Dr. Boutros-Ghali is a statesman and scholar of great achievement and high international reputation," said Mrs. McDougall. "He will be leading the UN at a crucial time in the history of the world body. Canada will support him fully in meeting the extraordinary challenges of his position."

Mrs. McDougall noted that since the end of the Cold War the United Nations has been called upon to play an increasingly leading role, especially with regard to issues of international peace and security.

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