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ADDITIONAL SANCTIONS AGAINST HAITI

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, announced today new Canadian regulations prohibiting ships registered in Haiti, or ships violating the embargo against Haiti, from entering Canadian ports. The regulations also prohibit any ship registered in Canada from docking in Haiti to load or unload goods.

"These new regulations strengthen the international embargo against Haiti's illegal regime. Canada will continue to seek broad international support, as we did at the recent G-7 Summit in Munich, for restoring democracy in Haiti," said Mrs. McDougall.

The Minister said that the regulations, adopted pursuant to the newly passed Special Economic Measures Act, were designed to reinforce the Organization of American States-led embargo against Haiti. Except for humanitarian purposes, foreign ships carrying goods to or from Haiti will be barred from Canadian port facilities, and any Canadian ship that does not respect the embargo will be subject to judicial action.

The regulations take effect July 15, 1992.

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