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VISIT OF SOVIET AMBASSADOR VIKTOR KARPOV

The Department of External Affairs announced today that the third annual round of Canada-USSR arms control consultations is being held in Ottawa today and tomorrow, March 5 and 6, 1987.

The Soviet Union will be represented by Ambassador Viktor Karpov, Director of Arms Control in the Soviet Foreign Ministry. Mr. Karpov was formerly head of the Soviet negotiating team to the bilateral USA-USSR Nuclear & Space Talks in Geneva.

The broad agenda of the consultations with Ambassador Karpov includes the bilateral USA-USSR Nuclear & Space Talks, chemical weapons, conventional arms control and other arms control and disarmament issues, including the United Nations and the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva.

The Canadian Delegation to these consultations will be led by Mr. David Peel, Director General of the Bureau of International Security & Arms Control of the Department of External Affairs. Other members of the Canadian Delegation will include officials from External Affairs, National Defence and the Privy Council Office. Mr. Karpov will also meet with Mr. J.H. Taylor, Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Alan Sullivan, Assistant Deputy Minister for Political & International Security Affairs, and Mr. Douglas Roche, Ambassador for Disarmament.

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