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VISIT OF OECD SECRETARY-GENERAL TO OTTAWA
JANUARY 22 - 24, 1979

The Secretary-General of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), Mr. Emile Van Lennep, will visit Ottawa January 22 - 24 at the invitation of the Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Don Jamieson, on behalf of the Government of Canada, for discussions on the international economic situation and current issues.

During his visit Mr. Van Lennep will also meet with the Prime Minister and the Minister of Finance, as well as with other ministers including the President of the Board of Economic Development Ministers, the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce and the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources.

It is expected that the talks will encompass such topics as the OECD countries concerted action programme aimed at sustained non-inflationary economic growth; relations between developing and developed countries and their interdependence; the prospects for the world trading environment in the post-MTN period, and the world economic situation and its implications for the Canadian economy.

Mr. Van Lennep has been Secretary-General of the OECD since 1969. Canada has been a member of the organization since it was officially established in 1961.