



Mr. MacEachen (left), Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser (centre) and Foreign Minister Andrew Peacock (right) of

of the Olympic Games in Montreal and the possibility of co-ordinating development assistance in the Pacific.

Australia

In Australia, the External Affairs Minister conferred with Prime Minister Fraser and Foreign Minister Peacock, and also participated in a seminar on world economic issues at the Australian National University.

Australian and Canadian officials agreed that both nations offered each

Australia inspect Mr. Fraser's property 'Nareen' during Mr. MacEachen's recent tour of Pacific countries.

other possibilities for co-operation in the development of their respective policies in the Asian and Pacific region. Mr. MacEachen suggested that a greater exchange of domestic information take place and pledged that Canada would explore new areas of co-operation.

Mr. MacEachen's visit strengthened existing relations between Canada and the four Pacific countries and helped to create new opportunities for expanding and more substantial relations in the future.

New aeronautical order clarifies Quebec air-traffic control

Transport Minister Otto Lang issued on September 2 a new Air Navigation Order (ANO) clarifying certain aspects of aeronautical communications in the province of Quebec.

The new order, said Mr. Lang, which supersedes a previous ANO published on July 23, 1976, affirms the government's commitment to the introduction of bilingual air-traffic control in the province of Quebec "as it is demonstrated that it can be achieved without prejudice to safety".

Mr. Lang indicated that the publication of this new order had been required to correct an inadvertent

omission in the previous order which had not provided for bilingual services by temporary or mobile air-traffic control units operated from time to time for air shows and other special aeronautical requirements.

Mr. Lang said the new order also responded to several requests for more precise definition of the aeronautical radio stations which may provide bilingual advisory services in Quebec regarding safety information, weather reports, and reports on airports and air-navigation aids.

Further amendments to this ANO would be promulgated in the months

Canada/U.S. fisheries negotiations

Representatives of Canada and the United States concluded the first round of formal negotiations on September 3 leading to a fisheries agreement which, they hope, will become effective next year.

The two sides put forward basic possible proposals for an agreement and reviewed approaches and ideas in detail. They agreed that the ongoing negotiation of new bilateral arrangements for Pacific salmon would proceed separately with the objective of concluding two separate agreements which, together, would establish the basis for the full range of Canada/United States fishery relations.

A second meeting has been set, provisionally, from October 18 to 22.

NATO sea and air exercise

Ships and aircraft of the Canadian Forces participated in a major maritime exercise from September 10 to 23, which was designed to test plans for the defence of Western Europe.

The two-week exercise, Team Work 76, involved more than 200 ships, 30 submarines and about 300 aircraft from nine nations — Belgium, Britain, Canada, Denmark, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal and the United States. It took place in the Atlantic, the English Channel and Baltic Sea areas, including a combined amphibious landing in Norway.

Participating from Canada were HMC Ships *Athabaskan*, *Ottawa* and *Margaree* and their ship-borne helicopters; the supply ship HMCS *Protecteur*; the submarine HMCS *Objibwe*, and *Argus* aircraft.

Defence Minister James Richardson said the objectives of Team Work 76, one in a series of North Atlantic Treaty Organization maritime exercises held every four years, were to test forces and plans designed to provide for the defence of Western Europe.

ahead as further steps were taken to complete the introduction of bilingualism into air-traffic control services in the province of Quebec, added Mr. Lang.