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MEETING WITH AUSTRALIAN DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF TRADE

The Honourable Gerald Regan, Minister of State (International Trade), met today with the Honourable Lionel Bowen, M.P., Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Trade of Australia. The purpose of the meeting was to review bilateral trade relations between Canada and Australia as well as to compare notes on developments in the Pacific region and a range of international trade issues of mutual concern.

Both Ministers affirmed the importance they attach to the further development and expansion of trade and economic relations between the two countries, as well as finding ways to foster increased cooperation in third markets. To this end Canadian and Australian officials will initiate discussions shortly to review the Canada/Australia Trade Agreement. The two Ministers indicated their desire to review the results of these discussions when Mr. Regan visits Australia later in 1983.

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