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APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ASIA-PACIFIC FOUNDATION OF CANADA

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today announced the re-appointment of Marcel Desjardins (B.A., B.Sc., M.B.A.) of Montreal, and the appointment of Linda Lee Oland (B.A., LLB.) of Halifax, to the Board of Directors of the Asia-Pacific Foundation of Canada. The appointments were by Order-in-Council.

Mr. Desjardins is the founder and President of CEGIR, a company which specializes in the transfer of technology. He is a member of the boards of the Montreal Chamber of Commerce, the World Trade Centre, Armand Frappier Foundation, and the "Conseil des Relations Internationales de Montréal (CORIM)". He is the Chairman of the Board and President of Javelin International.

Mrs. Oland is member of the Nova Scotia Barristers Society and the Canadian Bar Association. She has been a member of the faculty of Dalhousie Law School and has served as Vice-President of the Chinese Association of Nova Scotia.

The Secretary of State for External Affairs also pointed out that John Bruk who served as the Board's first Chairman was recently re-appointed to the Board. Mr. Bruk is the President of Pacific Endeavours Corporation and Deputy Chairman of Trilon Bancorp Ltd. He is also a director of Canada Harbour Place, Weldwood of Canada Ltd., the Vancouver Board of Trade and member of the Board of Governors of the University of Victoria.

The Asia-Pacific Foundation of Canada was established by Parliament in 1984 with the purpose of developing closer ties between the peoples and institutions of the Asia-Pacific region.