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FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER

VISITS CANADA APRIL 4-5, 1990

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today announced that Hans-Dietrich Genscher, Vice-Chancellor and Foreign Minister of the Federal Republic of Germany, will visit Ottawa April 4-5, 1990.

"Because of historic changes under way, this visit is a timely opportunity to review with Mr. Genscher the process of German unification and the latest developments in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union," stated Mr. Clark. "Now, more that ever, Canada and its partners must work together on shaping a new Europe and the institutions it shares with North America. Canada's excellent relations with the Federal Republic of Germany are an important link in this process."

While in Ottawa, Mr. Genscher will meet with Mr. Clark as well as other Government Ministers, to review a range of bilateral and international issues of mutual interest, including certain external aspects of German unification that have a direct bearing on Canadian interests.

Mr. Genscher's most recent visit to Canada was in mid-February of this year as Head of the Delegation of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Ottawa Open Skies Conference.

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