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Area: 5,765 sq km **Population:** 226,000 (1986)

Capital: Bandar Seri Begawan **System of Government:** (Monarchy) Sultanate

Head of State: Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah

Prime Minister: Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah

Minister of Finance (responsible for Trade): Prince Jefri Bolkiah

Language: Malay, English, Chinese **Ethnic Background:** Malays 65%, Chinese 20% Indigenous tribes 8%, Indian & others 6%

GDP: (1986) US $2.9 B **Per Capita Income:** US $12,800 **Currency:** Brunei Dollar on par with Spore $= Cdn $0.63

Inflation Rate: 7.6% (1986) **Unemployment Rate:** N/A **Debt Service Ratio:** Nil

Major Trading Partners (Jan-Dec 1985):

Exports (Total: US $2,156 million)
1. Japan
2. Thailand
3. Singapore
4. Korea
5. UK

Imports (Total: US $1,142 million)
1. Singapore
2. UK
3. USA
4. Japan
5. Switzerland

Canadian Trade Statistics: (Cdn $ '000s) *

	1984	1985	1986	1987
Exports	1,116	1,290	NA	NA
Imports	3	-	NA	NA
Balance	1,113	1,290	NA	NA

* (Based on Brunei official figures; Stats Cda does not break out Brunei)

Main Sectors of Opportunity for Canadian Business:
1. Technical education/training programs
2. Fisheries
3. Forestry
4. Communications
5. Electricity generation

EDC Status: on cover **CIDA Status:** not programme country

Resident Canadian Banks: None

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