There has been no marked increase in employment opportunities for Canadians who wish to work in the Middle East. Just as before the Gulf War, professional and skilled workers interested in pursuing job opportunities in the Middle East should contact their professional associations and recruitment agencies with contacts in the region, or respond to recruitment advertising in newspapers, Mr. Wilson added.

On September 24, the Minister signed a memorandum of understanding between the Export Development Corporation and the Ministry of Finance, State of Kuwait, acting by and through the Kuwait Investment Authority. This memorandum provides for the establishment of a US\$500 million line-of-credit to support the sale of Canadian goods and services in connection with the reconstruction of Kuwait. Conclusion of this line-of-credit is expected to facilitate additional contracts.

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