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## CANADIAN SENATOR NAMED TO OAS CONSULTATION GROUP

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, and the Secretary General of the Organization of American States (OAS), Ambassador João Baena Soares, today announced the appointment of Senator Gerald R. Ottenheimer, Q.C. to the OAS Consultation Group on the Inter-American System.

The Consultation Group was established to study relations in the hemisphere and to recommend ways of using the inter-American system in light of changes in both the hemisphere and the world. The Group is to report to the next OAS General Assembly, which will be held in Santiago, Chile, June 3 to 7, 1991.

Senator Ottenheimer has had a long-standing interest in Latin America and the Caribbean. He has led Canadian delegations to a number of inter-parliamentary meetings in that region.

As a member of the Consultation Group, Senator Ottenheimer will be working closely with a group of distinguished leaders from Latin America and the Caribbean.

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