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of Canada to Rede Ferroviaria Federal, Brazil's national railway company, for the purchase of equipment from Bombardier Incorporated; a syndicated loan led by the Toronto-Dominion Bank to CIBRAZEM, Brazil's grain storage company, to design and construct up to 17 grain terminals in Brazil; and a loan by the Bank of Montreal to its Brazilian subsidiary to support Canadian export sales in Brazil.

Many issues covered in talks

Throughout the visit talks were held by the Canadian prime minister and the president of Brazil as well as by representatives from both countries. During their discussions the prime minister and the president reviewed relations between Canada and Brazil and noted the growing depth and richness of the relationship in political, economic and other fields. They agreed that their governments would continue to develop and intensify bilateral relations in all fields. They also exchanged views on the international situation.

Among the issues covered were bilateral cultural relations, scientific and technological co-operation, bilateral trade relations, the problems faced by developing nations, North-South issues since the Cancun meeting, and the responsibility of all countries to work for peace and stability in the world. The two leaders reaffirmed their support for the United Nations and also for the recently adopted Convention on the Law of the Sea.

Excerpts from the communiqué out-

lining some of the issues discussed follow:

"...The president and the prime minister agreed that special attention should be given to the intensification of bilateral cultural relations, as a way of increasing mutual understanding. In this regard, the two leaders noted the 1944 cultural agreement between Canada and Brazil and the program of co-operation between the National Film Board of Canada and the Empresa Brasileira de Filmes.

"The president and the prime minister reviewed the work of the Canada/Brazil Joint Economic Committee, and especially the work of the fourth session of that committee held on March 9-11, 1982 in Brasilia...

"The president and the prime minister also noted that the two Canadian science and technology missions to Brazil that had been announced during the committee's sessions had subsequently taken place and the development of fuller, mutually beneficial relations in this field was being actively pursued.

"The president and the prime minister reviewed bilateral trade relations between Brazil and Canada and agreed on the need for increasing and diversifying bilateral trade in a mutually beneficial way, without resorting to restrictive measures that could hamper the search for a more balanced pattern of relationship in that area.

"Both leaders expressed their deep concern at the current world economic situation, which affects both developed



Prime Minister Trudeau (right) and President Figueiredo meet on Parliament Hill.

and developing countries... They stressed the common determination of their governments to work for a resumption of growth in the international economy, a further strengthening of the open multilateral trading system and, in that context, continued resistance to protectionist trends. They noted that the GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade) Ministerial meeting in November presents a major opportunity to address current trading problems and to develop a forward-looking work program for the 1980s...

"The role that direct investment and the transfer of technology play in the economic development of each country was emphasized by the two leaders. The close historic and mutually beneficial relationship among Canadian and Brazilian private sector investors was highlighted as a clear indication of the depth of bilateral ties. They further stressed the importance of bringing together Canadian and Brazilian companies to explore joint ventures and licensing opportunities and, in this context, the prime minister noted the Canadian International Development Agency's TEC-CAN '82 fair planned for September in São Paulo...

"The two leaders agreed that all countries have a responsibility to use their best endeavours to achieve peace and stability within a framework of social justice and they reaffirmed the commitment of their respective governments to co-operate in the appropriate multilateral fora to achieve peace and prosperity for all countries..."



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Secretary of State for External Affairs Mark MacGuigan (right) and Brazilian Foreign Minister Ramiro Saraiva Guerreiro sign an agreement.