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The Right Honourable Joe Clark, Secretary of State for External Affairs, will be visiting Japan June 28 - July 3 to hold Foreign Ministers' Consultations with his Japanese counterpart, Sousuke Uno. From July 6 to 9 he will attend the annual meeting of Foreign Ministers of the Association of the South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) in Thailand. He will remain in Bangkok until July 11 for an official bilateral visit.

The consultations in Japan, the sixth between Canadian and Japanese Foreign Ministers, reconfirm the importance that Canada attaches to its relations with Japan, its second largest trading partner and a major source of investment. Mr. Clark and Mr. Uno will review the bilateral relationship, and discuss international political and economic issues such as regional security in the Asia Pacific region. This will be their first opportunity to continue discussions of key multilateral economic issues raised at the Toronto Economic Summit. Mr. Clark will also participate in a ground-breaking ceremony for Canada's new Embassy in Japan.

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