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OFFICIAL VISIT OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONER (SOCIAL AFFAIRS) OF THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES, MR. HENK VREDELING

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Flora MacDonald, is pleased to announce the official visit to Canada of the Vice-President and Commissioner (Social Affairs) of the Commission of the European Communities, Mr. Henk Vredeling. Mr. Vredeling, who will be in Canada from September 3-7, will be accompanied by his Chef de Cabinet, Mrs. Nel Barendregt, and by the principal administrator of Directorate General V, Social Affairs of the European Communities, Mr. Axel Bunz.

During his visit to Canada, Mr. Vredeling will meet with the Secretary of State for External Affairs and the Minister of Employment and Immigration, Ronald Atkey. He will also hold discussions with the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce, Robert de Cotret, the Minister of Labour, Lincoln Alexander, and the Minister of State for Small Business and Industry, Ronald Huntington. In addition, Mr. Vredeling will have meetings with representatives of the Departments of Employment and Immigration, and Labour, and the Ministry of State for Economic Development. He will also discuss with staff of the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety the possibility of exchanging information between that organization and the European Communities. Mr. Vredeling will end his visit to Canada in Toronto where he will see a job creation centre and a local industrial plant.