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## CANADIAN COMPANIES TO PARTICIPATE IN TRADE MISSION TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

The Honourable Michael Wilson, Minister of Industry, Science and Technology and Minister for International Trade, today announced that Canada is undertaking a trade mission to the Dominican Republic from March 8 to 12, 1993.

Twelve firms from across Canada will be promoting their capabilities in a number of sectors, including agri-food, fisheries products and services, food processing equipment and electrical generation equipment.

"This represents our first major trade promotion in the Dominican Republic in recent years, and I am confident this initiative will produce export gains for our firms," Mr. Wilson said.

Canadian companies sold \$66 million-worth of products in the Dominican Republic in 1992, an increase of 12 per cent over the previous year.

"The participating companies are in a position to broaden their presence in the Dominican Republic as a result of improved economic conditions in that country and the increased competitiveness of Canadian firms in world markets," the Minister said.

A list of the companies participating in the mission is attached.

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## CANADIAN COMPANIES PARTICIPATING IN THE MISSION TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

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Bloemhof Industries Ltd. Edmonton, Alberta

Manufacturer of bakery equipment

Agri-Tec Canada Inc. Winnipeg, Manitoba

Export marketing consortium of Western Canadian companies that supply food and animal production technology, facility design and construction services, machinery and equipment for grain storage and cleaning.

Agrodev Canada Inc. Ottawa, Ontario

Provides professional consulting services in agriculture, fisheries/aquaculture, environment and natural resource management. Complementary services include project formulation, human resource development and institutional strengthening. Sister company involved in agricultural sales and services in seeds, fertilizers, micro-nutrients and equipment.

The Association of Bloater Producers Inc. Cap-Pele, New Brunswick

Production of smoked hard/mild cured herring; pickled salted gaspereau (alewives); pickled salted herring; pickled salted mackerel; dry salted hake; smoked herring fillets and fresh frozen cod and sole fillets.

Henotex (1981) Inc. Montreal, Quebec

Manufacturer of metal detector LYMPS used in airports, by the Royyal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), Customs, prisons, etc.

Santa Maria Foods Ltd. Rexdale, Ontario

Leading manufacturer and importer of grocery products (fresh pasta, olive oils, mineral water, cheeses). Also manufacturer of

Italian-style delicatessen products such as San Daniele Mortadella and Mastro salami, San Daniele prosciutto.

K&N Fisheries Ltd. Port Latour, Nova Scotia

Family-owned company produces and exports salted dried codfish, pollock and hake products, as well as live lobsters.

AIT Corp. Nepean, Ontario

AIT Corp. is the world leader in the supply of secure documents issuance systems for issuing machine readable passports, machine readable visas and national identity cards; port-of-entry inspection systems and secure document authentication/verification systems.

Provincial Diesel Inc. St. Hubert, Quebec

Sells new electric generators; repairs diesel engines and generators.

Groupe AXOR Inc. Montreal, Quebec

Civil engineers specializing in transport, municipal services, roads, hydro-electricity sectors.

Ven-Rez Products Shelburne, Nova Scotia

Manufacturer of school, institutional and office furniture, including library shelving, office desks, upholstered seating, school desks, tables, chairs, tablet armchairs, etc.

Cavendish Farms Moncton, New Brunswick

Producers of frozen potatoes.