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SEVENTH CANADA-JAPAN MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE MEETING

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DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTÈRE DES AFFAIRES EXTÉRIEURES The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Hon. Mitchell Sharp, announced today the tentative agenda for the Seventh Canada/Japan Ministerial Meeting to be held in Tokyo, September 4 and 5, which is as follows:

- I Review of the International Situation.
- II Economic Situation in Canada and Japan.
- III Canada/Japan Trade and Economic Relations and Related Matters.
- IV Resource Problems.
- V International Trade and Economic Relations.
 - 1) International Monetary Affairs.
 - 2) Multilateral Trade Negotiations.
 - 3) International Cooperation in the Economic Development of Developing Countries.
- VI Other Matters.

The Japanese Delegation will include the Foreign Minister, the Hon. Masayoshi Ohira; the Minister of Finance, the Hon. Kiichi Aichi; the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, the Hon. Yoshio Sakurauchi; the Minister of International Trade and Industry, the Hon. Yasuhiro Nakasone; the Minister of State in Charge of the Economic Planning Agency, the Hon. Zentaro Kosaka; and H.E. Akira Nishiyama, Japanese Ambassador to Canada.

Canada will be represented at the meeting by the Hon. Mitchell Sharp; the President of the Treasury Board, the Hon. C.M. Drury; the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Hon. Donald S. MacDonald; the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce, the Hon. Alastair Gillespie; the Hon. Eugene Whelan, Minister of Agriculture and H.E. Ross Campbell, Canadian Ambassador to Japan. Accompanying the Delegation as a Special Adviser will be Mr. William Douglas Stewart, M.P.

The Canadian Delegation will depart Ottawa for Japan at 9:00 a.m. on September 1 by Canadian Forces aircraft and will return to Ottawa on September 6, arriving at 9:00 p.m.

The Meeting will be the seventh of its kind since the Committee was established during a visit to Canada in 1961 by the Prime Minister of Japan. The first meeting took place in Tokyo in January, 1963, and the venue has alternated between countries ever since, the sixth meeting having taken place in Toronto in 1971. The opening session which will be open to the public, will be at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 4 at the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Although the remainder of the meeting will be closed, frequent press briefings are envisaged. A final joint press conference will be at 5:00 p.m. on September 5 in the North Conference Room of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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