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APPOINTMENTS TO IDRC BOARD

The Right Honourable Joe Clark, Secretary of State for External Affairs, today announced the appointment of five members to the Board of Governors of the International Development Research Centre (IDRC).

They are:

Dr. Gerald K. Helleiner - Professor in the Department of Economics at the University of Toronto. Dr. Helleiner has been a professor at Yale University, a research fellow at the Nigerian Institute of Social and Economic Research, Director of the Bureau of Economic Research in Tanzania, and a Visiting Fellow at the Institute of Development Studies, Sussex University. He is currently a member of the Board of Directors of the North-South Institute. He has authored several texts on international trade and economic development.

Dr. Robert C. McGinnis - Dean of Agriculture, University of Manitoba. Professor McGinnis' career includes appointments as a cytogeneticist at Agriculture Canada, Director of the National Plant Breeding Station at Njoro in Kenya, and Director of International Programs at the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics in Hyderabad, India.

Sir Kenneth Stuart - Consultant to the World Health Organization (WHO) on cardiovascular disorders and former Medical Advisor to the Commonwealth Secretariat, London. A former Dean of the Medical Faculty of the University of the West Indies, Jamaica, and a citizen of Barbados, Sir Kenneth was also a Rockefeller Foundation Fellow in cardiology at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, and a Wellcome Foundation Research Fellow at Harvard University. He has written many articles on hepatic and cardiovascular disorders in medical journals.

Norman T. Currie - President and Chief Executive Officer, Corporate Foods Limited, Toronto. A Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario, Mr. Currie was formerly President of the Bakery Council of Canada. He has been reappointed to the IDRC Board.

Dr. Francis Keppel - Professor Emeritus of Education and former Dean of Education of Harvard University. Dr. Keppel has been United States Commissioner of Education and Director of the Education Program of the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies. He has been reappointed to the IDRC Board.

The appointment of a new chairman of the Board of Governors of IDRC, Dr. Janet Wardlaw, was announced on 22 March last. Dr. Wardlaw, Associate Vice-President, Academic, at the University of Guelph is an Educator/Nutritionist who has been Dean of the College of Consumer and Family Studies at that University, and also an Academic Visitor at Penn State University and the University of Michigan. She has had extensive experience with organizations involved in international development including the Canadian International Development Agency, the World Health Organization, the Food and Agricultural Organization, and World University Services of Canada.

IDRC is a corporation created by the Parliament of Canada in 1970 to stimulate and support research designed to adapt science and technology to the needs of developing countries. By statute, the Centre is independent of the Government of Canada but is answerable to Parliament. Its policies are determined by its international Board of Governors.