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MINISTER KELLEHER VISITS INDONESIA

JAKARTA, INDONESIA--International Trade Minister James Kelleher today ended a two-day visit of Indonesia. During his stay, he announced contracts valued at more than \$80 million.

These contracts included:

1. Sale of \$30 million of potash to Indonesia by Canpotex and Potocan.
2. \$13.6 million for the supply of rail for the Bukit Asam Coal Rail Transportation project.
3. A \$10 million order for the supply of PT6T-3B Twinned Turboshaft Engines for the Bell 412 helicopter which is being assembled by the Indonesian aircraft manufacturer.
4. \$36.5 million for the supply of telecommunications equipment and services for the Bukit Asam Coal Rail Transportation project in South Sumatra by International Aeradio (North America) Limited of Richmond Hill, Ontario.
5. US \$548,214 for the sale of telecommunications training equipment to Indonesia by Lab Volt Limited of Montreal.

During his visit, Mr. Kelleher met with President Soeharto and five senior Indonesian Ministers. At these meetings, Mr. Kelleher, who was accompanied by 19 businessmen, was able to support Canadian project initiatives with these key Indonesian decision makers. Priority sectors targetted by Canadian exporters include power, telecommunications, oil and gas, and forestry for which there are import requirements estimated at several billion dollars.

Mr. Kelleher also addressed the inaugural meeting of the Indonesian-Canada Business Council and witnessed the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding on geological and mineral co-operation between the Directorate of Mineral Resources of Indonesia and the Geological Survey of Canada.

Indonesia was one of the first countries to decide to participate in EXPO '86 and will be acting as one of the foreign advisors to the Exhibition. Several Indonesian Ministers indicated to Mr. Kelleher that they will be travelling to Canada during the fair.

Mr. Kelleher also discussed the forthcoming Multilateral Trade Negotiations and encouraged Indonesia to work with Canada in areas where the two countries have common interests, such as trade liberalization in agriculture and resources products, tighter disciplines on contingency protection measures and strengthened dispute settlement procedures. He also sought Indonesian support with respect to Montreal serving as a possible venue for the September Ministerial Conference to launch the MTN.

Mr. Kelleher's next stop will be Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

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