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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Mitchell Sharp, announced today that Canada will be represented at the forthcoming session of the Conference of Education Ministers from French-speaking States of Africa, Madagascar and Mauritius, to be held in Paris on May 28 and 29. Mr. François Cloutier, Quebec Minister of Education, will chair the Canadian Delegation which will consist of the following:

CANADIAN DELEGATION

Quebec

- Mr. François Cloutier, Quebec Minister of Education, Head of Delegation
- Mr. Pierre Parent, Executive Assistant to the Minister of Education
- Mr. Jean Tardif, Director, External Co-operation Service, Department of Education

New Brunswick

- Mr. Armand Saintonge, Deputy Minister of Education

Ontario

- Mr. Berchmans Kipp, Superintendent, Department of Education

Manitoba

- Mr. Origène Fillion, Director of the Institut pédagogique of Saint-Boniface

Federal Advisers

- Mr. Michel de Coumois, Director of Francophone Institutions Division, Department of External Affairs
- Mr. Gilles Duguay, Counsellor, Canadian Embassy, Dakar
- Mr. Simon Venne, Director of Co-ordination, Canadian International Development Agency.

The Conference is preceded by two seminars: one on "Economy and Education" from May 22 to May 24, and the other one on "Teaching of French in the Secondary Education" from May 22 to May 25. Experts from Canada are attending these two seminars.