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## QUESTOR SURVEYS LIMITED WAS AWARDED AN AIRBORNE GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY CONTRACT IN THE PHILIPPINES

The Honourable Gerald Regan, Minister of State (International Trade) announced that Questor Surveys Limited of Mississauga was awarded an airborne geophysical survey contract in the Philippines during the visit of Prime Minister Trudeau.

The contract is to undertake an airborne geophysical survey over approximately 168,000 sq. km. in the Republic of the Philippines.

This US \$2.5 million contract for petroleum exploration was awarded by the Ministry of Energy of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and was made possible by a loan from the World Bank.

The contract was signed in Manila by the Philippine Minister of Energy, Geronimo Velasco, and Questor's Chief Executive Officer, David M. Watson, during Mr. Watson's visit to the Philippines as a member of a group of Canadian businessmen invited to meet with Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau to discuss Canadian involvement in the area.

Questor Surveys Limited, one of Canada's largest airborne geophysical survey companies, won the contract against strong international competition. The award is further evidence of Canadian competence in this specialized high technology field.

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Questor will utilize two aircraft over a six-month period to carry out the airborne portion of the contract. The compilation and map preparation will be completed by the professional and technical staff at Questor's head office in Mississauga, Ontario.

The entire project will take one year to complete.

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