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VISIT TO CANADA OF THE ITALIAN FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER,

MR. RINO FORMICA

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The Minister for International Trade, the Honourable Pat Carney, announced today the official visit to Canada of the Italian Foreign Trade Minister, Mr. Rino Formica, from October 7 to 13, 1986. It will be Mr. Formica's first official visit abroad. He will be accompanied by a delegation of senior Italian business people and representatives of the Italian media.

Initiated by the Canadian government, this visit is designed to open a new era of economic relations between Canada and Italy in industrial cooperation, transfer of technology and joint ventures.

Of particular interest for enhanced cooperation are the automotive parts sector, electronics, oil and gas, transport equipment and the fashion industry.

Mr. Formica will travel to Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver. He will meet with Ontario and Quebec provincial cabinet ministers, visit Canadian companies and attend the closing ceremonies at EXPO 86 on October 13.

In Toronto, Ministers Formica and Carney will participate in a day of meetings between Canadian and Italian business people.

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"The visit of Minister Formica is an excellent occasion to discuss and explore means of strengthening economic relations between our two countries", said Minister Carney. "Such initiatives taken by the federal government give Canadian business people the opportunity to establish direct contact with representatives of the private sector in other countries".

"Moreover, it is a pleasure for me to welcome my Italian counterpart here in Toronto, the Canadian city which is the home of the largest Italian community outside Italy", Minister Carney added.

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