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VISIT TO AUSTRALIA OF CANADA'S DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER

The Canadian Deputy Prime Minister, the Honourable Don Mazankowski will pay an official visit to Australia from June 30 to July 7. While in Australia he will represent the Prime Minister of Canada, the Right Honourable Brian Mulroney as Canada's official Bicentennial Visitor. He will be the guest of the Deputy Prime Minister, the Honourable Lionel Bowen.

Mr. Mazankowski will begin his visit in Brisbane where he will be the guest of honour on Canada Day (July 1) at World EXPO 88. The day's activities will include a flag raising ceremony, performances by the band of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and a fireworks display. Portions of the activities will be broadcast to Canada's capital in Ottawa where it will be shown on a large screen temporarily installed on Parliament Hill for the country's national day celebrations.

In Canberra, Mr. Mazankowski will call on the Prime Minister, the Honourable Bob Hawke where the discussion is expected to focus on the Uruguay round of Multilateral Trade Negotiations and particularly the prospects for reform in international agricultural trade practices. Canada and Australia are members of the Cairns Group which was formed to address agricultural issues which are of vital importance to both countries. Mr. Mazankowski will also hold discussions with the Australian Deputy Prime Minister, Lionel Bowen, and other federal Ministers on a wide range of issues. During his visit to Canberra, Mr. Mazankowski will sign a Reciprocal Agreement on Social Security and a new Air Services Agreement. He will also deposit Canada's Instrument of Accession to the 1972 Convention on Arctic Marine Living Resources.

Mr. Mazankowski is scheduled to visit Melbourne on July 5 where he will be the guest of honour at a dinner hosted by Dame Patti Menzies following which he will deliver this year's Sir Robert Menzies lecture at Monash University. Previous guests have included Britain's Prime Minister Thatcher and New Zealand's former Prime Minister Robert Muldoon.

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Before flying on to Wellington to begin a visit to New Zealand, Mr. Mazankowski will visit Sydney (July 6-7) where he will meet leading members of the city's business and investment community. Mr. Mazankowski is interested in finding ways to expand two way trade between Canada and Australia which already stands at more than Cdn \$1.2 billion a year.

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THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA
THE HONOURABLE DON MAZANKOWSKI
TO AUSTRALIA

Thursday, June 30

Arrive Australia

Friday, July 1

(Brisbane)

Preside over ceremonies in conjunction with Canada's National Day at World EXPO 88

Deposit Canada's Instrument of Accession to 1972 Convention on Antarctic Marine Living Resources

Saturday, July 2

(Brisbane)

Visit Sulphur Utilization Plant in Brisbane which processes sulphur from Alberta

Monday, July 4

(Canberra)

Meet with Prime Minister Hawke and other Australian Ministers

Sign Social Security and Air Services Agreements.

Attend official dinner hosted by Australian Deputy Prime Minister Lionel Bowen

Tuesday, July 5

(Melbourne)

Host luncheon for Senior Australian business executives

Participate in roundtable discussion with Australian Chamber of Manufacturers

Meet with Premier of Victoria, John Cain

Deliver Sir Robert Menzies Lecture at Monash University

Wednesday, July 6

(Sydney)

Meet with Premier of New South Wales, Nick Greiner

Host luncheon for senior Australian Business Executives

Dedicate plaque for Canadian "Patriotes" exiled to Australia in 1837