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CANADA AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

HOLD CONSULTATIONS ON

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COOPERATION

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark announced today that a delegation from the Federal Republic of Germany has arrived in Ottawa to participate in Consultations with Canada on bilateral cooperation in Science and Technology. The talks are being held Wednesday and Thursday, June 10-11, 1987, at Willson House, the Government Conference Centre at Meech Lake, Quebec.

The German Delegation is comprised of researchers, government officials, and a representative of the Canadian-German Chamber of Industry and Commerce. The Canadian Delegation includes researchers, the President of the Association of Provincial Research Organizations, a University Dean of Research, and federal and provincial officials involved in international scientific and technological cooperation.

The Chairmen of the two delegations are Dr. Knut Bauer, Head of the Energy Research and Development Department of the Ministry of Research and Technology of the Federal Republic of Germany, and Mr. Graham Mitchell, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Europe, of the Canadian Department of External Affairs.

The two delegations will review more than 120 cooperative projects, some ongoing and many recentlyproposed. A large number of joint projects involve research and development in energy, biotechnology, communications and information technology, forestry, geosciences, marine sciences, and other sectors. This round of Consultations will also focus on the economic benefits of this cooperation, and means to expand the



transfer of technology between Canada and the Federal Republic of Germany, involving government research organizations, the academic community, and private industry.

The Consultations are held every two years under the terms of the 1971 Federal Republic of Germany/Canada Agreement on Scientific and Technical Cooperation. The last Consultations took place in Bonn, Federal Republic of Germany in April 1985.

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