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**CLARK TO MEET**  
**UN SECRETARY-GENERAL IN NEW YORK AND**  
**U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE BAKER IN WASHINGTON**  
**TO DISCUSS POST-WAR PERIOD IN PERSIAN GULF**

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, will make a working visit to the United Nations in New York, and to Washington on Monday, March 4, 1991.

In New York, Mr. Clark will discuss the post-war period in the Persian Gulf with UN Secretary-General Javier Pérez de Cuéllar. He will also meet the head of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), William Draper. "One of Canada's principal goals in the aftermath of the Gulf conflict is to ensure a strengthened and enhanced United Nations. I will be pursuing with the Secretary-General the discussions which we began in Ottawa last month on Canada's post-hostilities proposals," stated Mr. Clark.

"The UN, through its agencies such as the UNDP, UNICEF and the World Health Organization, has an important role to play in the long-term rehabilitation of the countries which have been scarred by the war," he said. Canada has pledged \$77.5 million in humanitarian assistance to those countries affected by the Gulf War, much of it channelled through the United Nations and its agencies.

In Washington, Mr. Clark will meet United States Secretary of State James Baker to review the post-war situation in the Gulf. "Throughout the Gulf crisis, Canada has been an active member of the multinational Coalition," said the Minister. "The recent cease-fire now allows us to turn our attention to future diplomatic initiatives and Secretary Baker and I will be discussing how we can best promote peace and security in the region in the post-war era."

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