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CANADIAN WINES SELECTED FOR EAITC OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS

The Honourable Shirley Martin, Minister of State (Indian Affairs and Northern Development), representing the Right Honourable Joe Clark, and International Trade Minister John C. Crosbie, today announced the names of Canadian wines recommended by an independent panel of experts for use at External Affairs and International Trade Canada (EAITC) functions in Canada and at diplomatic missions abroad.

Mrs. Martin made the announcement at a second wine selection being organized by EAITC. Twenty-five wineries participated, entering 171 different wines produced from Canadian grapes.

"Our country is producing fine wines - wines that we can be proud to serve anywhere in the world," said Mrs. Martin. She added that Canadian wineries have been attracting attention recently by winning awards at international wine competitions.

EAITC organized again this year the wine selection to raise awareness, in Canada and abroad, of the quality of many Canadian fine wines.

As in 1988, this function was supervised by Mr. Andrew Sharp, a recognized wine authority and expert on Canadian wines. Eight leading wine writers from across Canada were chosen as judges for the event.

A list of the selected wines is attached.

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LIST OF SELECTED CANADIAN WINES/LISTE DES VINS CHOISIS

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Andres Chambourcin (1987)
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 049
        Brights Merlot (1987)
 052
        Brights Vidal Ice Wine (1988)
 054
        Brights Johannisberg Riesling (NV)
 058
        Brights Pinot Blanc (1988)
 089
        Cave Spring Cellars Riesling (1988)
 090
        Cave Spring Cellars Off Dry Riesling (1988)
 091
       Cave Spring Cellars Estate Chardonnay (1988)
 092
       Cave Spring Cellars Chardonnay Reserve (1988)
 095
       Cave Spring Cellars Estate Riesling (1988)
 005
       Chateau Gai Marechal Foch (1989)
 022
       Chateau des Charmes Champagne Sec (1985)
 026
       Chateau des Charmes Aligote (1988)
       Chateau des Charmes Estate Pinot Noir (1986)
 0.30
036
       Colio Nobilo Vin Santo (1988)
096
       Gray Monk Cellars Pinot Gris (1988)
098
       Gray Monk Cellars Auxerrois (1988)
021
       Henry of Pelham Baco Noir (1988)
151
       Hillebrand Estates Riesling Cuvée (1988)
152
       Hillebrand Estates Collectors Choice Chardonnay (1987)
153
       Hillebrand Collectors Choice Chardonnay (1988)
158
       Hillebrand Marechal Foch (1988)
162
       Hillebrand Baco Noir 1988)
163
       Hillebrand Late Harvest Vidal (1988)
070
       Inniskillin Marechal Foch (1987)
       Inniskillin Pinot Noir Reserve (1987)
073
074
       Inniskillin Riesling BA (1986)
075
       Inniskillin Ice Wine (1988)
       Konzelmann Late Harvest Gewurtztraminer (1988)
105
137
       Lewis Bros. Classic Raspberry (1988)
171
      Reif Ice Wine (1988)
      Stoney Ridge Cellars Riesling Eastman (1988)
083
      Stoney Ridge Cellars Merlot Lenko (1988)
087
103
      Vineland Estate St-Urban Chardonnay (1988)
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