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## JOINT CANADA-UNITED STATES MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

The Joint Canada-United States Ministerial Committee on Trade and Economic Affairs will meet in Washington, June 25-26.

Representing Canada will be: the Honourable Mitchell Sharp, Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Edgar J. Benson, Minister of Finance, the Honourable Jean-Luc Pepin, Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce, the Honourable Horace Andrew Olson, Minister of Agriculture, the Honourable Otto E. Lang, Minister without portfolio (responsible for Energy and Water Resources), Mr. Louis Rasminsky, Governor of the Bank of Canada, the Honourable A. Edgar Ritchie, Canadian Ambassador to the United States.

The United States will be represented by: the Honourable William P. Rogers, Secretary of State, the Honourable David M. Kennedy, Secretary of the Treasury, the Honourable Walter J. Hickel, Secretary of the Interior, the Honourable Clifford M. Hardin, Secretary of Agriculture, the Honourable Maurice H. Stanes, Secretary of Commerce, the Honourable Paul W. McCracken, Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers, the Honourable Carl J. Gilbert, Special Representative Designate for Trade Negotiations, the Honourable Nathaniel Samuels, Deputy Under-Secretary for Economic Affairs and the Honourable Harold F. Linder, United States Ambassador to Canada.

The meeting will provide Cabinet Ministers of both governments with an opportunity to review the international political and economic situation and to discuss a number of bilateral economic and financial questions, including agriculture and energy. The meeting, which was announced by Prime Minister Trudeau and President Nixon following their discussions in Washington in March, will be the twelfth since the Joint Committee was established by agreement between the two governments in 1953. The last meeting was held in Montreal, Canada on June 21-22, 1967.

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