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CANADIAN DELEGATION TO SAN FRANCISCO COMMEMORATION OF THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNATURE OF THE UN CHARTER

The Right Honourable Joe Clark, Secretary of State for External Affairs, announced today that Mr. Stephen Lewis, Canada's Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York, will lead Canada's delegation to the San Francisco Conference commemorating the 40th anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Charter. The Conference (June 24-25) and "Charter Day" (June 26) are co-sponsored by the United Nations Association of San Francisco, the World Affairs Council of Northern California and the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce.

The subject of the Conference is "Assessing the United Nations After 40 Years: Why This Retreat from Internationalism and Multilateralism?". The purpose of the Conference is to assess how the UN has performed in several key areas during its first forty years, how it might improve its contributions to world peace in the coming decades, and how the member nations of the UN can balance their national and international interests and obligations in the years to come. The major themes that will be discussed are the UN and international peacekeeping, the UN and arms control, the UN and Third World economic development, the UN and

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international refugee flows, and the UN and the international monetary system. Conference participants include the UN Secretary-General, Mr. Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, and the Ambassadors of many of the UN's member states, some of whom will take part in the discussions. Ambassador Lewis will participate in the panel on the UN and arms control.

The Canadian delegation will include members of Canada's delegation to the UN Conference on International Organization, held at San Francisco April 25 - June 16, 1945, the President and Executive Director of the UN Association in Canada (UNAC), and three outstanding participants in the UNAC sponsored Canadian National Model United Nations held in Montreal from May 27 to June 1.

Canadian Delegation

Mr. Stephen Lewis, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations, New York

Mr. J.J. McCardle, Consul-General of Canada, San Francisco

Mr. R.C. Brown, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations, New York

Mr. Robert Reford, President, UN Association in Canada

Mr. Firdaus Kharas, Executive Director, UN Association in Canada

Members of Canada's 1945 Delegation

Mr. Escott Reid

Mr. Jean-Louis Delisle

Mr. M.R. Jack

Student Participants

Mr. Jorat Chopra (University of Calgary)

Miss Christine Legault (Concordia University)

Mr. Jean-Pierre Maisonneuve (University of Ottawa)