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NATO Council ministers' statement on East-West relations

Allan J. MacEachen, Deputy Prime Minister and Secretary of State for External Affairs, led the Canadian delegation to the spring ministerial meeting of the North Atlantic Council, held in Washington May 29-31.

The meeting marked the thirty-fifth anniversary of the North Atlantic alliance.

The opening session was addressed by the host minister, United States Secretary of State George P. Shultz, and by the outgoing Secretary-General of NATO, Joseph Luns, who will be succeeded by former British Foreign Secretary, Lord Carrington.

External Relations Minister Claude Cheysson of France also addressed the Council for the last time in his capacity as honorary president.

The ministers took note of the appraisal called for at their last meeting with a view to achieving a more constructive East-West dialogue and reaffirmed their continued intention to work for genuine *détente* through building up more contacts

with the Soviet Union and the countries of Eastern Europe.

At the close of the meeting, the ministers issued the "Washington Statement on East-West Relations" from which the following excerpts are reprinted:

- "At their meeting in December 1983 the ministers of foreign affairs of the member countries of the alliance, on the initiative of the Foreign Minister of Belgium, decided that the Council should undertake an appraisal of East-West relations with a view to achieving a more constructive East-West dialogue.
- "The appraisal has confirmed the continuing validity of the balanced approach contained in the Harmel Report of 1967. To ensure the security of members of the alliance, the most appropriate long-term policies are the maintenance of adequate military strength and political solidarity and, on that basis, the pursuit of a more stable relationship between the countries of East and West



US Secretary of State George Schultz (right) greets Canada's Secretary of State for External Affairs, Allan J. MacEachen. Mr. MacEachen led the Canadian delegation to the spring meeting of the North Atlantic Council in Washington, May 29-31.



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through dialogue and co-operation. These elements are complementary: dialogue can only be fruitful if each party is confident of its security and is prepared to respect the legitimate interests of others: military strength alone cannot guarantee a peaceful future. Experience points to the continuing need for full, consistent and realistic implementation of the two main tasks of the alliance set out in the Harmel Report.' . . .

- "Notwithstanding continuing fundamental differences between countries in East and West, the Allies remain convinced that there exist areas where common interests should prevail. These include the need to safeguard peace, to build confidence, to increase security, to improve mechanisms for dealing with crises, and to promote prosperity. To this end, the Allies remain determined to build upon these and other areas of common interest in pursuing their efforts to promote more constructive dialogue and co-operation with the members of the Warsaw Pact with a view to achieving genuine *détente*. . . .
- "The Allies will continue to be guided by the awareness of a common history and traditions of all European peoples. Given the continuing division in Europe and particularly Germany, the alliance continues to support the political aim of the Federal Republic of Germany to work towards a state of peace in Europe in which the German people regains its unity through free self-determination.
- "Neither side must seek unilateral advantage, military superiority or dominance over other states. Mutual respect for each other's security on the basis of equality of rights, non-use of force as called for in the United Nations Charter and other current international agreements, restraint, and respect for international rules of conduct are essential for strengthening confidence and co-operation. . . .
- "The purpose of the alliance is exclusively defensive: none of its weapons will ever be used except in response to attack. The alliance does not aspire to superiority, but seeks a stable balance of forces. Defence and arms control are integral parts of the security policy of the alliance. The legitimate security interests of all countries must be respected on a reciprocal basis. The cohesion and security of the alliance, based on a firm linkage between its European and North American members, and reinforced by close consultations, remain the foundation for the protection of their common interests and values. In the course of carrying out their appraisal, the Allies have confirmed their consensus on the conduct of East-West relations and their commitment to a constructive East-West dialogue. . . ."

Minister reports on Canadexpo 84

Gerald Regan, Minister for International Trade, has reported that Canadian companies made a significant breakthrough into the burgeoning Pacific Rim economies as a result of the trade show held recently in Hong Kong.

Canadexpo 84 gave 85 companies and seven provinces the opportunity to demonstrate to Asian buyers that Canadian products are not only of high quality but competitive in the difficult Far Eastern markets.

Over 13 000 people visited the show during its five-day run. Approximately \$5 million in business was conducted on site with follow-up business expected to exceed that.

For many companies, the trade show was their first opportunity to penetrate the Chinese, Hong Kong and Asian markets. Exhibitions of computer and telecommunications equipment, agricultural equipment, construction machinery, food products, and oil and gas sector technology were all enthusiastically received by the local business community. Many Canadian firms were also able to lay the groundwork for future business by signing

agency and distributor agreements.

Canadexpo 84 was the largest national trade show ever held in Hong Kong and the largest Canada has mounted in Asia since 1972. It was sponsored by the Department of External Affairs with the support of a large number of local Hong Kong and Canadian trade organizations.

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De Havilland Aircraft of Canada has signed a contract to deliver eight of its new *Dash 8* aircraft to a leading US commuter airline, Henson Airlines. The contract, worth approximately \$58 million, was signed recently in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, at the headquarters of Piedmont Airlines, part-owners of Henson.

Henson Airlines operates commuter services from Baltimore, Maryland, to points throughout the US Eastern seaboard, from Virginia to New York.

Henson already operates five de Havilland *Dash 7s* and is purchasing the *Dash 8* to augment its capacity to expand routes and destinations. Deliveries of the eight aircraft will begin in February 1985 and will be completed by July 1986.

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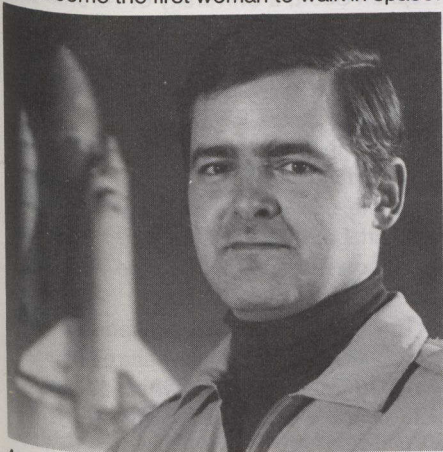


Peter Jennings, anchorman of ABC-TV's "World News Tonight", was recently presented with the Canadian Club Arts and Letters Award at the Canadian Consulate General in New York. The prize is given to a Canadian who has made a major contribution to the arts. Jennings, born in Toronto, began his broadcast career in Ottawa. He subsequently served as ABC's Middle East correspondent and later, London-based anchorman for "World News Tonight" as well as chief of ABC's foreign news operations. Presenting the award is Joseph L. Keeley, (left), president of the Canadian Club of New York.

Space launch advanced

Canada's first astronaut will be launched into space October 1, three-and-a-half weeks earlier than planned on a mission filled with firsts, the National Research Council has announced.

"I am a passenger on board a rather exotic and exclusive spaceship doing experiments," Marc Garneau, 35, said of the space shuttle *Challenger's* October flight. Among the six members of the crew will be the first two women astronauts, one of whom will become the first woman to walk in space.



Astronaut Marc Garneau.

The mission will also attempt the first refuelling of satellites in space using hydrazine, which will "add a little bit of spice to the trip," said Karl Doetsch, head of the NRC space program.

The shuttle will launch the Earth Radiation Budget Satellite (ERBS) into a high orbit and then descend into a lower orbit to match the Earth's.

Dr. Garneau's training so far has been in Canada and has involved familiarizing himself with the experiments he will carry out as the mission's payload specialist. He leaves for Houston in mid-July for astronaut training.

In addition to practising emergency procedures, he will learn to cook "turkey tetrazzini, barbecued beef and chicken à la king, along with learning how to use a washroom while in a weightless state".

Among the ten experiments he will perform, Dr. Garneau will be testing the prototype of the space-vision system, designed to enable more efficient use of the Canadarm. He will also study orbital glow, which scientists think is caused by subatomic oxygen particles hitting the surface of the shuttle. In space-adaptation experiments, he will measure some of the odd effects on vision, taste and perception of motion which astronauts experience in space.

London Economic Summit stresses financial curbs

Restraints on government spending and keeping down inflation was the emphasis in the 17-point London Declaration read by Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher at the close of the tenth Economic Summit held in London June 8-9.

The meeting was attended by heads of government from seven Western nations — the United States, Canada, Japan, Britain, West Germany, France and Italy. It would be the last Summit to be attended by former Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau.

On interest rates, perhaps the most sensitive issue, the Declaration talked only of governments adopting policies "which will be conducive to lower interest rates".

It also spoke of the seven nations consulting with their trade partners in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade "with a view to decisions at an early date about the possible objectives, arrangements and timing for a new negotiating round".

The leaders drew up a strategy for easing debt rescheduling by Third World nations, and agreed to take steps to promote technological change and facilitate more flexible and open management of their economies.

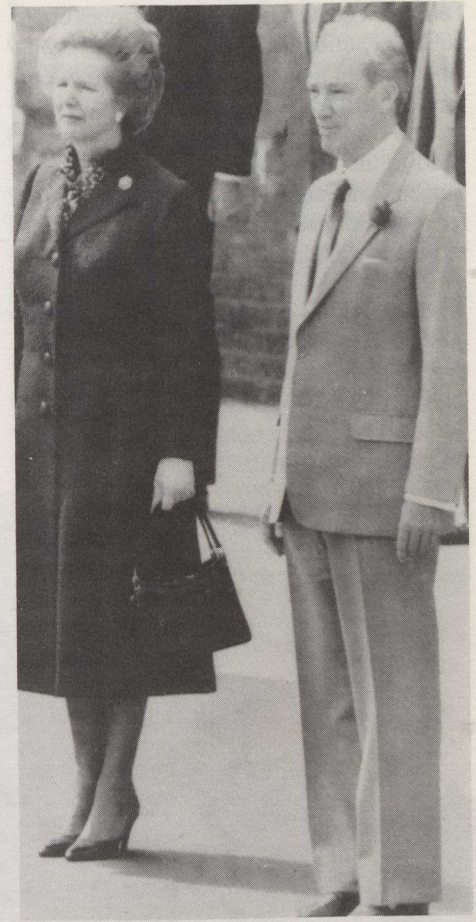
A four-point Declaration on East-West relations and arms control, which some feel lends impetus to former Prime Minister Trudeau's peace plan, contains conciliatory phrases toward the Soviet Union, appealing for extended political dialogue and long-term co-operation.

The final paragraph mirroring Mr. Trudeau's thinking, says East and West "have important common interests in preserving peace, in enhancing confidence and security, in reducing the risks of surprise attack or war by accident, in improving crisis management techniques, and in preventing the spread of nuclear weapons".

Mr. Trudeau said it was important that the Summit nations accepted the idea of having "common interests" with the Communist bloc.

He would have been happier if other wording accepted at recent North Atlantic Treaty Organization ministerial meetings — such as that the West is striving for balance on arms and not superiority — could have been included, he said.

The East-West Declaration was an initiative of the British hosts as well as Canada, and arose from papers submitted by other countries, among them Italy and Japan, on the need for a thaw in relations with Moscow.



Former Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau and Britain's Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher listen to the national anthems at the opening ceremony of the London Economic Summit.

Big trade break for Ontario firm

The biggest export contract in its three-year history, and one that will open doors to major new markets, has been awarded to an Ottawa company.

Expected to be worth at least \$7 million, the agreement is between Targa Electronics Systems Inc. and Genisco Technology Corp. of Cyprus, California.

Targa manufactures computer data storage systems based on a technology called "bubble memory".

The new agreement and a previous contract allow Genisco to market one of Targa's data recorders under its own label and share Targa's technology to develop a military version of the bubble memory data recorder.

The deal also provides for joint venture co-operation in bidding on US military contracts, creating a major new market for Targa's products and technology.

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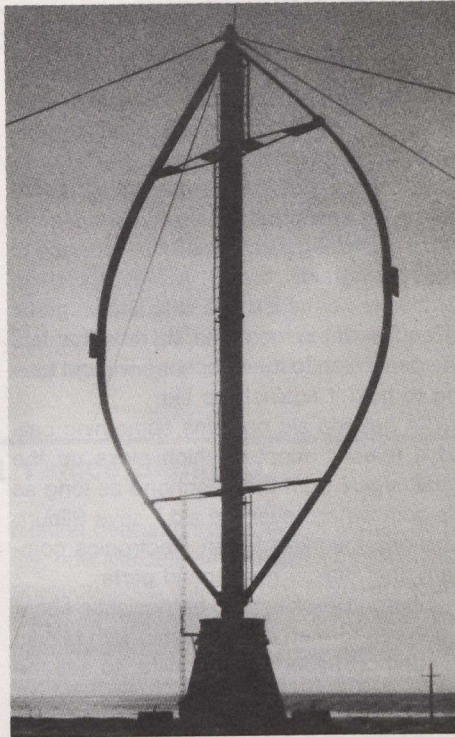
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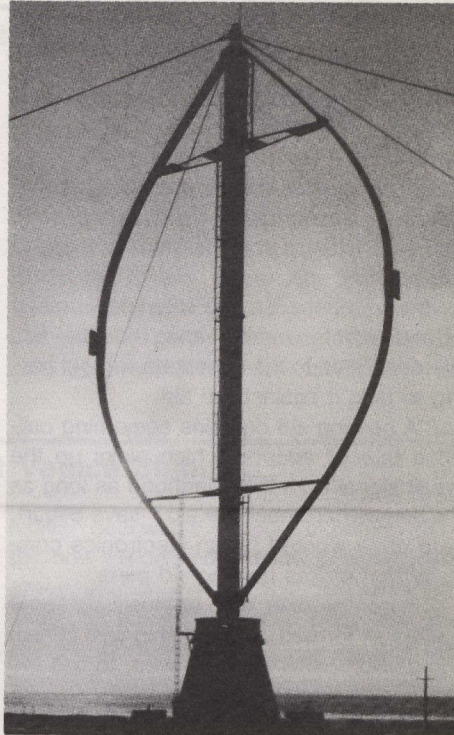
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Hearing loop brings world to deaf child

Nine-year-old Sandy Brooker has been profoundly deaf since the day she was born. Two powerful hearing aids and a special school program help her communicate, but until recently many of the activities other children enjoy passed her silently by.

Now, Sandy's world has widened to include *Smurf* cassettes, radio broadcasts, TV's *The Polka Dot Door* and even *The A-Team*.

They come to her via a loose, lightweight plastic necklace she wears when she wants to tune in directly to a broadcast over radio, cassette or television.

"Previously, if Sandy wanted to watch television, it meant having to turn the volume up very loud, which understandably put out everyone else in the family," says Allan Silburt, who made the loop device she now uses.

"She'd be picking up static through her hearing aids and the signal probably wouldn't be clear enough for her to get much."

But, based on a principle called electromagnetic induction, Silburt invented a "personal loop" Sandy now uses to listen to broadcasts.

Made of flexible plastic containing several thin wires, the loop is worn loosely over San-

dy's clothing. Attached is a thin wire with an ordinary jack she can plug into radio, cassette or television.

The loop acts like a transmitting antenna, taking sound from the radio or cassette and transmitting it across a small airspace to her hearing aid.

It works because of a little known piece of equipment in most hearing aids that lets the deaf listen to the telephone without having to hold it against the aid.

"A hearing aid contains something called a telecoil adapter which picks up the weak signal from the telephone as long as it's somewhere near the aid," says Silburt, who once worked for an electronics company that makes hearing-aid parts.

Sharon Brooker is so enthusiastic about it she has formed a partnership with Miriam Vanderhoff-Silburt, Allan's wife, to sell the devices to other deaf people.

With estimates of as many as 30 000 hearing-impaired people in the Ottawa-Carleton area alone, the Canadian Hearing Society believes there is a market for such devices. At \$30 per loop, the Silburt model is "the lowest priced device of its kind I'm aware of, and it seems to be quite durable", he says.



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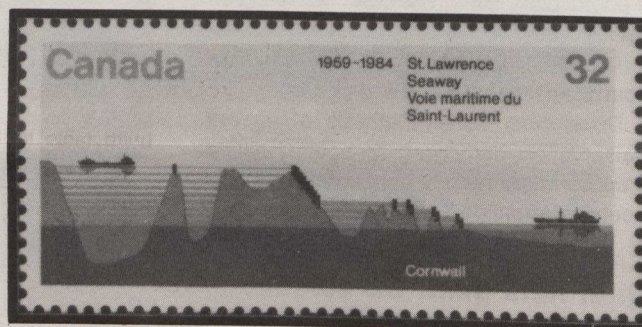
André Ouellet, Minister responsible for Canada Post Corporation, said that "as we celebrate twenty-five years of successful operation of this joint Canada-US engineering marvel, Canadians and Americans can look back with pride on the drive and determination of those who saw this gigantic project to completion.

"Never before — or since — have two sovereign nations co-operated to jointly produce a project of such magnitude in their nations' interests," he said.

Canada and the United States began discussing such a venture in 1900. Construction finally got under way in 1954. Queen Elizabeth II and US President Dwight D. Eisenhower officially opened the Seaway on June 26, 1959.

Both the US Postal Service and Canada Post are issuing commemorative stamps, each with its own design, to mark the anniversary.

The Canadian stamp, by Toronto designer Ernst Barensher, illustrates a profile view of the entire inland waterway made navigable by the St. Lawrence Seaway, from Montreal to Lake Superior. A red highlight on the stamp marks the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority's headquarters in Cornwall. The city is celebrating its bicentenary this year.



US awards for Canadian films

The National Film Board (NFB) and Toronto-based Atlantis Films shared a total of four blue ribbons and several other awards at the recent twenty-sixth American Film festival in New York City.

The NFB won a blue ribbon for *Daisy: The Story of a Facelift*, a one-hour documentary directed by Mike Rubbo. The Board also distributes another blue-ribbon winner, *All of Our Lives*, a film about aging and women co-produced by Laura Sky and Helen Klodawsky.

One of two Atlantis blue ribbons went to *Boys and Girls*, the half-hour drama directed by Don McBrearty and based on a short story by Alice Munro that won an Oscar this year for best short live action film. The other was awarded to director John Walker's *Chambers: Tracks and Gestures*, a documentary about Canadian artist Jack Chambers.

The NFB also won a red ribbon for *Faces*, an animated short film directed by Paul Bchner, and an honourable mention for Norman McLaren's most recent film, *Narcissus*.

Crawley film collection donated to Archives

The Public Archives of Canada has announced the acquisition of the Crawley collection of films, considered to be the largest and most significant collection of privately produced Canadian films in existence. The films were made by the Ottawa-based film company, Crawley Films, created by Budge and Judy Crawley in 1939.

Crawley Films has produced more than 3 500 motion pictures, slide films and com-

mercials since its inception. These include television and theatrical dramas, documentaries and sponsored films, produced in every Canadian province and territory, and in more than 30 countries on six continents.

Producer of Canada's only winner of an Academy Award Oscar for a theatrical feature film, *The Man Who Skied Down Everest*, Crawley has made films in 26 languages for 400 different clients, and has

won 260 awards in national and international competitions, more than any other independent producer in Canada. The company has also helped introduce such international celebrities as Christopher Plummer, Geneviève Bujold, and Rich Little.

Included in the collection are completed films, negatives and printing elements, production and administrative files, still photographs, a stockshot library and original film footage dating from 1939 to 1977.

Canadian sculptures exhibited at Venice Biennale

Canadian sculptors, Ian Carr-Harris and Liz Magor, will each show three works in the Canadian pavilion at the 41st Venice Biennale being held from June to mid-September. Narrative devices, humour and an interest in human behaviour and values characterize the work of both artists.

Toronto artist Ian Carr-Harris is showing one early piece entitled *A Section of . . .* (1973) and two later works, *3 Examples* (1980) and *In German* (1982). *A Section of . . .* is typical of an important series of works made by Carr-Harris in the early Seventies in which tables serve as a familiar and informal stage for the presentation of verbal and visual propositions.

Originally from Vancouver, Liz Magor now lives in Toronto. She will be represented at the Biennale by the 1981 sculpture *Dorothy* — *A Resemblance* as well as two new photographic works completed in 1984, *Notable Bakers* and *I have always weighed 98 lbs.*

All three of Liz Magor's works in the ex-

hibition deal with the nature of human identity, how it is defined and how it persists. Her preoccupation with the objective representation of the history of a body and the material portrayal of personal identity has emerged consistently from her early interest in order and repetition found in the natural world. Her reflections on the cultural influences and individual distinctions that account for identity are set against the inevitability of the natural processes that govern existence.

Dorothy — *A Resemblance* is a physical analogue for Dorothy's perception of herself and her practical values based upon an actual story told to her. She uses found photographs in her newest works, suggesting by their selection and placement the absurdity of applying conventional systems of description and classification to human beings. Her comparisons are witty, disturbing and fundamentally compassionate statements on the human condition.



Dorothy — *A Resemblance* (1981), a sculpture of lead and steel by Liz Magor.



Public Archives of Canada

Budge and Judy Crawley, founders of Crawley Films, attended a ceremony marking the donation of the Crawley collection of films to the Public Archives of Canada.

Some of the more well-known feature titles are *The Luck of Ginger Coffey* (included in the collection with Robert Shaw), *Janis* (with Janis Joplin), and *The Rowdyman* (with Gordon Pinsent). The wide range of non-theatrical shorter films, such as *The Loon's Necklace*, *Newfoundland Scene*, *Au Pays de Nouvelle-France*, the *RCMP* series, *Quality of a Nation*, and the *Ages and Stages* series also constitute an impressive body of Canadian film-making.

The physical extent of the collection is estimated at some 2 500 productions consisting of 10 000 cans of film and 250 boxes of files covering 625 metres of shelving.

Crawley, of colour photography, Crawleys has assembled over two-million feet of film, representing Canada's view of itself and of the world. The special value of the collection, aside from its record of rare or historic events, is that it expresses the views of Canada's largest corporations on important issues of the day.

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Montreal twins triumph in triathlon



Canadian athlete Patricia Puntous (right) edged out her twin sister, Sylviane, to win the women's competition in the Bud Light Triathlon held recently at Long Beach, California. The sisters, both 23, from Montreal, finished in first and second place after completing the swim-bicycle-run events. Over 1 800 men and women took part in the event.

News briefs

External Affairs Minister Allan MacEachen announced recently plans for the creation of the Asia-Pacific Foundation, designed to improve ties between Canada and Pacific Basin countries. Speaking to the 17th annual meeting of the Pacific Basin Economic Council, Mr. MacEachen said the federal government would introduce the legislation this month. The Asia Pacific Foundation, to be based in Vancouver, will promote knowledge of Canada abroad, coordinate government and private-industry development projects and initiate education programs.

The federal government has released details of plans for next month's royal visit to Canada. The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will arrive in New Brunswick on July 14 and visit the province for three days in connection with its bicentennial. On July 16, they will fly to Ottawa for an eight-day visit that will take them to Eastern and Southern Ontario and as far north as Sudbury, with two visits to Toronto. Beginning July 24, they will visit Manitoba, including northern and western parts of the province.

Teleglobe Canada plus eight US companies and 26 European companies will build the world's first undersea fibre-optic telephone cable. American Telephone and Telegraph Company will lead the US consortium on the cable, dubbed the TAT-8 project. Teleglobe and the US companies will hold 50 per cent interest in the cable, which will run 5 160 kilometres from New Jersey to terminals in England and France.

Canada's Ambassador to Belgium, d'Iberville Fortier, has been appointed Commissioner of Official Languages, replacing Maxwell Yalden who completes his seven-year term in September. Mr. Fortier was Ambassador to Italy for four years before his Belgium posting. He served as Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs from 1972-76. As languages commissioner, he will monitor federal government departments to ensure they adhere to the Official Languages Act and language provisions in the Constitution.

Trillium Telephone Systems Inc. of Kanata, Ontario, has won the marketing and advertising award of the Chicago-based US Industrial Film Festival for a video film promoting its Talkto 109 telephone and inter-

com system. The film was produced by Tahl Commercial Film Productions Ltd. of Toronto.

Two Canadian agencies won gold medals at the recent International Radio Festival in New York. Ian Roberts Inc. of Toronto won in the 60-second category with a commercial for Canon Canada Inc. of Mississauga, Ontario, and Foster Advertising Ltd. also of Toronto, won in the 30-second musical category with a commercial for Toronto-based Ontario Place Corporation.

The Export Development Corporation (EDC) has signed a \$20.25 million (US) financing agreement with the Republic of Indonesia to support a sale by de Havilland Aircraft of Canada, of Downsview, Ontario. The sale involves the supply of two Dash-7 aircraft and related spare parts to Pertamina, Indonesia's state-owned national oil company. The aircraft were selected for their payload and STOL (short takeoff and landing) characteristics and will be operated by P.T. Pelita Air Services, a subsidiary of Pertamina, to provide Pertamina and various other oil companies with the ability to operate to and from remote airfields.

A Vancouver, B.C. company expects to earn at least \$1 million this year as the result of a contract it has signed with a US firm. International Phasor Telecom Ltd. will provide data encryption security for an electronic mail system being marketed by GTE Telenet Communications Corp., a unit of GTE Corp. of Stamford, Connecticut.

Spar Aerospace Ltd. of Toronto and Mitsubishi Corp. of Japan have signed an agreement whereby Mitsubishi will act as marketing representative in Japan for Spar's Remote Manipulator Systems division. The agreement covers marketing of remote manipulator systems for application in future Japanese space projects. Current plans call for Japan to join the United States and other countries in building a permanently-manned space station.

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