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On July 1, a spokesperson for the Canadian Trade Ministry who requested anonymity told Notimex that while Mexico is Canada's most important Latin American trade partner, Montreal is not interested in a common market arrangement with the US and Mexico, as desired by some US congresspersons. The spokesperson said this position is defended by Trade Minister John Crosbie, and should not be interpreted as an attempt by Canada to qualify or circumscribe present or future relations with Mexico. In 1988, Canadian exports to Mexico totaled $408 million and imports reached $1.107 billion. The trade total of $1.515 billion was a record. (Basic data from Notimex, 07/01/89)

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