

2008 Council of the Federation Summer Meeting to be held in Québec City during the 400th Anniversary of the City's Founding by Champlain

MONCTON, August 10, 2007 – The Premier of Québec, Mr. Jean Charest, announced today that Québec City will host the 2008 Summer Meeting of the Council of the Federation.

Mr. Charest has invited Premiers from all provinces and territories to meet in the beautiful city of Québec and join the many visitors participating in the festivities organized to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the founding of Québec City by Samuel de Champlain. Throughout 2008, various events will be organized in order to celebrate this milestone in Québec history.

"I am particularly proud and delighted that the Council of the Federation meeting will be held in Québec City during this exciting time for Québec's national capital. Furthermore, it will be thefifth Summer Meeting of the Council," said Mr. Charest.

The Council of the Federation was created in December 2003 to promote interprovincial-territorial cooperation and closer ties between members, foster meaningful relations between governments based on respect for the Constitution and recognition of the diversity within the federation, and show leadership on issues important to all Canadians.

The Council of the Federation Summer Meeting will be held in Québec City from July 16-18, 2008.

For more information, visit www.councilofthefederation.ca.

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