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FOCAL HOSTS DELEGATION OF HAITIAN SENATORS

The Canadian Foundation for the Americas is pleased to host a delegation of six senators from the Republic of Haiti from October 29-31. The senators, representing the Fusion des Socio-démocrates, Pont and Artibonit an Aksyon parties, will be visiting Ottawa and Montreal to meet with senior government officials, parliamentarians and other decision-makers in order to enhance the understanding of key issues affecting the Canada-Haiti relationship.

The visit is also an opportunity for the senators to convey their appreciation for Canada's ongoing support of Haiti. In addition to meeting with government officials, the senators will meet with a range of Diaspora groups and various non-governmental organizations in Montreal. They have also been invited to attend question period at parliament.

This visit follows a similar mission to Washington, D.C. on October 1-3 and is part of a larger itinerary that will see various Haitian senators visiting Brasilia, Santiago and Mexico City.

The visit will be followed by the release of FOCAL's joint report with the Inter-American Dialogue on a July fact-finding mission to Haiti.

The Canadian Foundation for the Americas (FOCAL) is an independent, non-partisan think tank that fosters informed analysis and debate on social, political and economic issues in the Americas.

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For more information, or to schedule an interview with one of the Haitian senators or a FOCAL analyst, please contact Rachel Schmidt, Communications Director, at 613-562-0005 x242 or rschmidt@focal.ca.