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I am delighted to send this message on the occasion of the launch of Synergy '09 Education Conference, organized by the International Centre for Education.

I was privileged to have been associated with the two previous "Synergy in Education" conferences in 2007 and 2008. Due to Parliamentary duties, I am unable to attend this year's conference in Toronto.

I congratulate this year's organizers, who also include the Canada-India Business Council and the Canada-China Business Council, on their vision and dedication, which should see the fostering of international linkages through collaborative research and education.

In today's competitive world, knowledge matters. And as such, Canada's education institutions must play an increasingly international role. Our government is committed to supporting academic institutions as they pursue their international goals.

I wish the conference much success and hope a productive and an enjoyable time will be had by all in attendance.

Sincerely,

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