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The delegations of Ontario businesses is billed as a medical care mission to Cuba because all the businesses manufacture or distribute products associated with public health.

The delegation is led by Les Horsewill, Assistant Deputy Minister of the Ontario Ministry of Trade. Mr. Horsewill said he is pleased with the results of the visit.

Actuality

I asked Bob Turner, commercial counsellor at the Canadian embassy in Cuba about Canadian-Cuban trade last year.

Actuality

Cuba recently, like many third world countries had to ask for a rescheduling of its foreign debt, basically because of the low world sugar prices. I asked Mr. Turner whether Cuba was a trustworthy trading partner.

Actuality

The balance of Canadian-Cuba trade is heavily in favour of Canada. A high Cuban official told me that if Canada wants Cuba to buy more from it, it will have to buy more Cuban products, especially sugar.

For CBC News, this is Lionel Martin in Havana.

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