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Nortel Technology president to present Wood Foundation lecture

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WATERLOO, Ontario - Gedas A. Sakus, president of Nortel Technology and chairman of Bell-Northern Research Ltd., will be the featured speaker for the Geoffrey H. Wood Foundation lecture series on international issues scheduled for **Monday, February 10th, 1997, 10:00 a.m. in the Paul Martin Centre at Wilfrid Laurier University.**

Sakus' address, "Fast-Forward into the Future: The Growing Power of Telecommunications," will set the stage for two discussion panels that begin at 1:00 p.m. The first panel, with a focus on technology, competitiveness and trade, will discuss technology and change in the automotive, banking, financial service and computer industry. Professor Alan Rugman, faculty of management at the University of Toronto, and Peter Walker, senior product manager, image and payment systems, NCR Financial Systems Group, will head the panel.

The theme of the second panel, technology, business operations and education, will address the effects of technology change on society, and the use of technology in education and training. The discussion will be led by Dr. Norman Ball, Northern Telecom professor of engineering impact on society at the University of Waterloo, and Carl Cuneo, national program leader, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) network for evaluation of education and training technologies.

The lecture is made possible by a grant from the Geoffrey H. Wood Foundation. Admission is free, however, seating is limited and guests are asked to call Cultural Affairs to confirm attendance.