

# Media Advisory

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### **RELEASE OF REPORT OF FEDERAL/PROVINCIAL TASK FORCE ON URBAN TRANSIT**

OTTAWA – The Council of Ministers of Transportation released the report of an intergovernmental task force on urban transportation entitled “Urban Transit in Canada: Taking Stock of Recent Progress.” The report highlights trends and challenges in transit, summarizes the status of transit funding in provinces, and describes significant funding commitments made by the federal government to the sector.

Investment in transit has increased by 60% over 2005 levels. The report identifies many positive economic, social, and environmental impacts resulting from recent investments and notes that much has been accomplished, though more remains to be done. It outlines ambitious plans for expansion of transit systems in cities of all sizes and recommends that governments work together to provide adequate funding to support transit, while respecting jurisdictional responsibilities. It also advises that good governance, effective planning practices, and transportation demand management are needed to support transit.

Composed of representatives from provincial jurisdictions and the federal government, the Task Force reports to the Council of Ministers Responsible for Transportation and Highway Safety. The goal of the Task Force is to explore urban transportation issues, with a view to recommending to the Council further federal, provincial, and territorial actions that would contribute to safe, efficient, and sustainable urban transportation networks in Canada.

The report is now available on-line at: <http://www.comt.ca>

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