

## Tilson accompanies Prime Minister Harper to London and Paris

Dufferin-Caledon MP David Tilson recently accompanied Prime Minister Stephen Harper to Europe; specifically London and Paris. "I was honoured to accompany Prime Minister Harper on the first and second stops on his working visit to Europe," Tilson commented. "We were able to further build on our dialogue as to how our countries can work together to strengthen the global economy, enhance transparency and accountability, as well as address other key issues including international security." While in London, Tilson attended a wreath laying at Westminster Abbey on the Tomb of the Unknown Warrior, participated in a business roundtable with leaders in the extractive sector, and attended Harper's address to the Parliament of the United Kingdom. While in Paris, he accompanied Harper to Élysée Palace, where they both met with François Hollande, the President of the French Republic, and where an Enhanced Cooperation Agenda (ECA) with France was announced. The ECA provides a strategic framework for implementing further economic, social, political, and security initiatives between Canada and France.



Members of the Canadian contingent at the recent G8 Summit, International Trade Ed Fast, Dufferin-Caledon MP David Tilson, Veterans Affairs Minister Steven Blaney and Prime Minister Stephen Harper are seen here with Kader Arif, le ministre délégué aux anciens combattants (talking to Harper). Submitted photo