

you think about the outcome, and the output of our Nation is on the basis of our net human benefit; how well the people find a better life because of the activities and decisions of Government."

So, because of all of these reasons, in a personal way and as a leader of our great Nation--I want to welcome to our Country, Prime Minister Trudeau, and his wife, Margaret.

Welcome, Mr. Prime Minister!

(Applause)

PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU: Mr. Carter and American friends: First, I wanted to tell you, Mr. President, that I brought the greetings of some 22 million Canadians, but I see -- by the flags over on the lawn, there -- that a lot of them have preceded me here!

The greetings are warm, nonetheless.

I want to tell you, also, that we bring you our greatest wishes as you assume the very arduous, important Office of President of this great Nation.

Canadians are looking forward to this period of good relationships with you at the head of this great Nation. With your dedication, your hard work, your discipline, your sense of morality, we feel that these are great days for our relationship and for the World.

We are particularly grateful and honored, Sir, that you invited your North American neighbors very early in the term of your Office.