

We must note with regret that in the past year there has been little progress in reducing international tensions. In recent weeks, some tensions have been heightened. My Government has continued to make constructive efforts towards peace and good neighbourliness.

You have approved the participation of Canadian troops in the United Nations Force in Cyprus. Though no long-term solution to this problem is yet in sight, the United Nations Force has been successful in controlling armed conflict.

You have approved the Columbia River Treaty and its protocol, which my Government subsequently ratified. These arrangements are of mutual benefit to Canada and the United States, providing this country with large supplies of low-cost power and increasing opportunities for employment.

My Prime Minister attended the Conference in London of Commonwealth Prime Ministers to discuss matters of common concern, including the establishment of a Commonwealth Secretariat.

My Government convened a conference of experts to exchange experience on the practical and technical problems of peacekeeping. The Commonwealth Education Conference was held in Ottawa.

In the search for international understanding and co-operation, my Prime Minister and his colleagues have visited and received a number of leaders of other countries, including the Presidents of Ireland and the United States; the Prime Ministers of Britain, Japan, Malaysia and Trinidad and Tobago; the Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany; the Foreign Ministers of Australia, Belgium, Britain, France, Germany and Norway; and the Secretaries-General of the United Nations and of NATO.

Canadians recently joined with the people of Britain, the Commonwealth and the world in paying final tribute to Sir Winston Churchill, to whom so much was owed by all free men.

*Members of the House of Commons*

I thank you for the provision you have made for the public services in the current fiscal year.

*Honourable Members of the Senate,*

*Members of the House of Commons,*

May Divine Providence continue to bless our country.

The Honourable the Speaker of the Senate then said:

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It is the will and pleasure of the Honourable the Deputy of His Excellency the Governor General that this Parliament be prorogued until Monday, the fifth day of April, 1965, to be here holden; and that this Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Monday, the fifth day of April, 1965.