Quebeckers (33%) are less likely than other Canadians (42%) to view peace-keeping as Canada's chief contribution to the world.

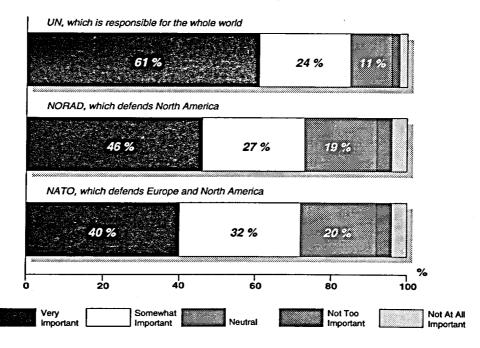
Fully one quarter (26%) of Canadians cannot suggest Canada's main international contribution. This inability is most common among less educated, lower income Canadians. Women (30%) are also more likely than men (21%) to offer no response to this question.

D. Membership in International Organizations

Canadian participation in international organizations has long received the support of most Canadians, and this remains so in 1995. As in the past, continued membership in the United Nations is considered important by more Canadians (84%) than continued participation in the North American Air Defence Organization (73%) or the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (72%).4

Figure 7

Membership in International Organizations



⁴ Respondents were asked to rate the importance of membership in each international organization using a scale of zero to ten, where ten means extremely important and zero means not important at all. Responses were then recoded to extremely important (9, 10), somewhat important (7, 8), neutral (4, 5, 6), not too important (2, 3) and not important at all (0, 1).