

~~Full~~ contribution to the cause of victory.

The people of Canada are proud to have their part in the great events in which the revival of France is being revealed, and to share with the soldiers and the people of France the sufferings which attend the struggle for freedom. Through the Mutual Aid Agreement which has been concluded between the French authorities in Algiers and the Canadian Government, supplies of vital war materials manufactured in Canada are being made available for the immediate use of the French Armies. At this moment French and Canadian soldiers are fighting side by side in the Italian Peninsula. On the battlefields of Normandy, Canadian forces form part of the great striking force which is there engaged in battle. Amidst these scenes of conflict and triumph, there has taken place a proud renewal of the long and honourable associations which have existed between the peoples of France and Canada. As we welcome General de Gaulle, we are confident that the partnership between French and Canadian soldiers, in the mighty coalition of force which has been ranged against the enemy, will be strengthened by continued victory. We are hopeful too, that this companionship in arms will be the prelude to long years of fruitful cooperation between our two nations.