

services to enable our programmes to help alleviate the world food problem. The Canadian Government is also studying, along with other members of FAO, how best it can contribute to increased world food security.

The Canadian Government accepts the need for greater external support for investment in food production in the developing countries and is ready to play its full part in an international effort in that direction which will complement the greater emphasis developing countries themselves recognize that they will need to place on food production. Canada believes that existing financial institutions are likely to provide the most effective channel for additional resource flows but is ready to study new mechanisms if it appears that these offer greater promise of attracting the participation of new and traditional donors.

The Canadian Government regards it as essential not only to formulate a world food strategy but to devise effective means for monitoring its progress and for co-ordinating the flow of resources, both bilateral and multi-lateral, that will be needed to underpin it. The Canadian Government believes that the best means of providing for follow-up action is by strengthening and, if necessary, reshaping existing institutions and by providing effective mechanisms for the co-ordination of their work.

The Government has designated Miss Margaret Meagher, until recently a senior Ambassador in the Canadian Foreign Service, to discuss the World Food Conference and Canada's part in it with the provincial governments and Canadian non-governmental organizations. Miss Meagher will be a