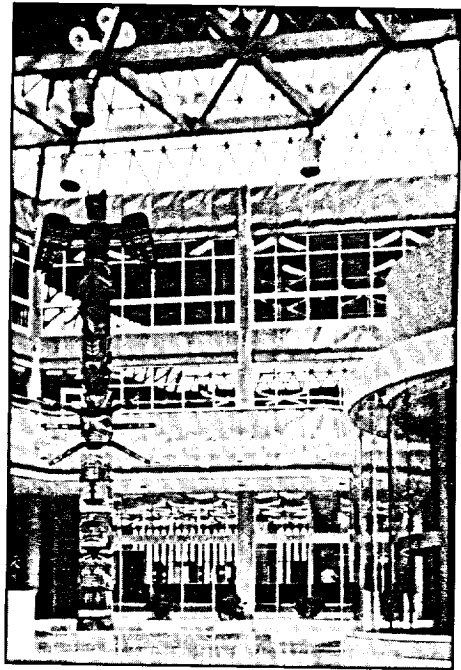


CHAPTER 5 CANADA'S REGIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

Highlights

- *New Task Force on Central and Eastern Europe created to support Canadian businesses in development of opportunities in Central and Eastern Europe.*
- *Creation of Canada-U.S.S.R. Business Council during Canada's historic visit to the U.S.S.R. in November 1989.*
- *Canada's Going Global trade strategy announced at prestigious Singapore Lecture.*
- *Canadian exports to Australia exceeded \$1 billion for the first time ever.*
- *Amendments to U.S. Clean Air Act demonstrated commitment by President Bush to an air quality accord with Canada.*
- *Decision taken that Canada would participate in talks leading to free*



A majestic totem pole graces the lobby of the Canadian embassy in Mexico City, Mexico.

trade between the United States and Mexico during Trade Minister Crosbie's visit to Mexico in March 1990.

- *Canadian exports of goods and services to Africa exceeded \$1.5 billion.*

A. CANADA-U.S. RELATIONS

Canada and the United States are equal partners in the largest bilateral trading relationship in the world. The two countries are allies in the defence of North America and Europe, and share a common responsibility for the

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preservation of the environment of the continent. The relationship is essentially functional, based on shared values and objectives, and is characterized by creative efforts to strengthen the ties and resolve the differences between the two countries.