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JOINT APPEAL ON STRENGTHENING OF THE UNITED NATIONS

The Right Honourable Joe Clark, Secretary of State for External Affairs, announced today that Mr. Stephen Lewis, Canada's Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York, joined with his colleagues from Argentina, Austria, Jordan, Malaysia, Senegal, Sweden and Tanzania, in submitting a joint appeal on strengthening the United Nations to Mr. Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, United Nations Secretary General.

The joint appeal, initiated by the Federal Chancellor of Austria, was signed by the Right Honourable Brian Mulroney, Prime Minister of Canada, and the Heads of Government of the other countries noted above. It reflects their desire, on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the signing of the Charter, that Member States recommit themselves to the United Nations and the principles of the Charter and that they make concrete efforts to strengthen the United Nations

The texts of the Permanent Representatives' letter to ... the Secretary General and of the joint appeal are attached.