

and the responsibilities of the Government of Canada in the international field. As this is to be a conference of countries and because it is expected that the Agency will be established on this same basis--in compliance with the Final Resolution of the Niamey Conference and with the draft statutes prepared by the Provisional Secretariat--it is therefore up to us to work out together the terms and conditions that will enable the representatives of the Quebec government to play a major role within the Canadian delegation, both at the conference and in the Agency.

I am taking the liberty of attaching a summary of arrangements to that end. In our view, these proposals represent the outcome which we could arrive at following the discussions between our officials. They are intended to ensure that the Quebec government's representatives take part, as members of the Canadian delegation, in the negotiations leading to the establishment of the Agency and that they subsequently participate in the activities of the major bodies within the Agency. These arrangements are designed to give expression to the importance of the Government of Quebec in this field and the interest it holds for it, while reflecting, at the same time, the full extent of Canada's intended contribution to the francophone world.

I believe these proposals will meet the interests of our two governments, and I hope they will prove acceptable to you.

Yours sincerely,

Pierre Elliott Trudeau