

Much will therefore have to be done by the food-deficit countries themselves to raise their own levels of production. It should not, and indeed could not, be for the surplus-producing and food-deficit countries alone to attempt to shoulder this immense burden. It should be the responsibility of the United Nations as a whole to meet this major challenge.

A few countries cannot be expected to underwrite the costs of transferring their surpluses to nations in need, and I hope that other countries represented at this Assembly will also be prepared to join together in contributing to a solution of truly world-wide scope to this pressing problem of the world's suffering and starving peoples.

Canada is acutely aware of their needs. In the last three years, Canada's contributions of wheat and flour to under-developed countries have amounted to \$56,000,000, and much has also been done by others. But more is needed, and the Canadian Government therefore welcomes and commends the suggestion made by President Eisenhower last week that this Assembly should seriously consider devising some workable scheme along the lines of the "Food for Peace" programme -- Canada envisages a world "Food Bank" to provide food to member states through the United Nations.

Such a scheme would require the establishment of concerted machinery which would take account of established trading patterns in wheat and flour marketing and co-ordinate the individual surplus disposal programmes to improve the effective utilization of wheat both to raise standards of nutrition and as a means of assisting economically under-developed countries.

Mr. President, the International Court of Justice, as the judicial arm of the United Nations, needs the power and the authority to play a larger and more effective role. All members of the United Nations are automatically parties to its statute, which forms an integral part of the United Nations Charter. Canada accepts the compulsory jurisdiction of the Court except in matters of a domestic nature, with the Court deciding whether a particular issue is or is not of a domestic nature. It is to be deplored