

is to force the General Assembly into the position of advocating measures which have little or no hope of implementation and damage the reputation of the United Nations as an effective instrument for keeping international peace.

Canada's policy toward the independent states of Africa is of course an aspect of our foreign policy which has evolved separately from our policy on southern African questions. Canada has sincerely welcomed the attainment of independence by so many African states. We can say in all honesty that our bilateral relations are based firmly on mutual respect and a desire on our part to be of what assistance we can. To that end, Canada has an accelerating aid programme to both the Commonwealth and francophone states of Africa. Our aid is given without political strings and in the spirit of mutual co-operation. There is, however, one connection between our objectives here and the situation in southern Africa. We attach great importance to the development of independent African states who have chosen a policy of co-operation between races. Through the example of multi-racial co-operation which has been given by independent African states we can show the world that the solution does not lie in apartheid and denial of human rights.