The place of Niger in Africa, specifically its mediating influence and its role as a frequent interpreter of the Continent to others, is becoming clearer to the benefit of its non-African friends and its neighbors alike. Canada, for its part, wishes only to be a sincere friend and partner of Niger; one who listens, who understands and who responds according to its abilities and in accordance with its own experience.

We rejoice in a friendship which bridges the seas and the continents and in a history of co-operation which we believe to be exemplary.

> Vive le Niger! Vive le Canada! Vive l'amitié canado-nigérienne!

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