

It is particularly important that there be a clear authority to whom any peacekeeping commission would report. In Canada's view, that authority should be vested in the UN. Additionally, the financial aspects of any peacekeeping force must be satisfactorily resolved.

While welcoming the opportunity to participate in the Conference, Mr. Clark said, "Canada had lengthy experience in peacekeeping in Indochina from 1954 to 1973. Unfortunately, in the latter years this was not a happy experience because of inherent flaws in the mandates of the commissions concerned. Canada has also settled 130,000 refugees from Indochina. It is my hope that the Conference will make significant progress towards finding a durable settlement. I believe Canada can provide an important contribution in this effort."