

COMMITMENTS KEPT

As promised throughout the negotiations, Canada has in no way compromised its current and future scope to support cultural development, nor its pursuit of valued and necessary social policies, such as health care and unemployment insurance. The agreement meets the legitimate concerns expressed by Quebecers on these matters.

OBJECTIVE GAINED

In Parliament, Prime Minister Mulroney succinctly stated Canada's objective:

"It is to try to carve out a unique trading relationship with the United States of America that will create jobs, end trade harassment, introduce stability, eliminate trade barriers, enhance competitiveness, spur productivity and build an instrument of liberalized trade between the two greatest trading partners of the world. It will be an agreement that can serve as a model for all countries seeking relief from protectionism, growth in the Third World and more liberalized access to markets everywhere".

That objective has been reached. It is now up to Quebec and the rest of Canada to realize the opportunities that have been made available. The work has just begun.