

## *Roche sees new hope for peace*

Douglas Roche, Canada's Ambassador for Disarmament to the United Nations, expressed hope for world peace Thursday.

"The human family is moving to a higher stage of civilization than ever before," Roche told Reflections on Caring. "Racial barriers are coming down, cultural barriers are coming down."

Roche, who heads Canada's delegation to the UN Disarmament Committee, is optimistic about the future for world peace.

The future, he said, lies not just in the hands of government, but "in the growing numbers of people who want to replace the sickening hatreds of the world with the process of reconciliation."

Peace is no longer the absence of the war, he said. True human security would allow "people everywhere to live free of the threat of war, free of the violation of their human rights, free to develop their own lives."

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