Lester Pearson, in his Nobel Prize lecture in 1957, remarked quite pointedly that:

"The grim fact is that we prepare for war like giants and for peace like pygmies."

I would like to think that we, as Canadians, at least have learned some lessons over the past 35 years.

By discussing how we can best serve the cause of peace in the years to come, there is no guarantee that we may become "giants," but at least we can avoid the alternative!

Thank you.