

religions or cultures can. There is no quick or facile solution to the problems of world peace, but succeeding enlightened generations will be able to move forward together. This human movement is essential to sustain public policies that move beyond war.

It may be, as the distinguished Israeli statesman Abba Eban writes, that much of diplomacy "is a holding action designed to avoid explosion until the unifying forces of history take humanity into their embrace." If so, each of us, as citizens of Canada and of the world, ought to build on the spirit of human reconciliation, inspired by the opening words of the United Nations Charter: "We, the Peoples of the World." This is clearly part of the spirit of the new age; more and more people must recognize that the future of disarmament is very much in our hands.

The composer-singer Ann Hampton Callaway has caught this spirit in a new song, "At the Same Time," which she has dedicated to the future of disarmament.

"Think of all the children
Being born into this world
AT THE SAME TIME
See your arms around them
See the years they'll need to grow
AT THE SAME TIME."

This song speaks to us of our children -- and our children's children. At this moment of a Summit breakthrough, we should renew our determination to reach beyond the Summit, each in our own way, to build a better system for true and lasting human security throughout the world. The future of disarmament requires this driving optimism of hope.