poverty and who are getting extra assistance through the guaranteed income supplement. They will not, by the budgetary proposals, be affected either in the old-age security part of the payments or in the guaranteed supplement itself.

But I think that even other old-age pensioners will want to be part of the solution to this problem which affects us all. They are citizens like the rest of us and I think that they would want to share in their way. It's not a large way, because the impact on them will not be great, but all of us will participate to the extent of our income in this attempt to halt the advance of inflation.

Problem of all Canadians

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This is not someone else's problem. It is our problem. There isn't anybody else to solve it. We can't pass it off to somebody else. The government is giving leadership. That's what Canadians are asking for, and the government has laid out a program to suggest to Canadians how to handle this.

But the government is not the country. The government can't do it all itself. This is what the OECD tells us we must do and it's what our own common sense tells us we must do. It's not someone else's problem, it's our problem. There is no one else to solve it. We are in effect the problem. We must also be the solution. We must not fail ourselves, we must not fail our world....

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