Canada and Israel are also looking at ways of jointly alleviating the plight of less developed nations. Both our countries are blessed with the greatest resource that can be offered, a highly educated, motivated, and resourceful population. If these resources can be tapped for the developing world, if our expertise can be transferred, Canadians and Israelis together can use their skills for the benefit of the Third Wolrd. To this end, we are working on ways of implementing a joint aid project, a project where both countries' talents be combined for the benefit of the less fortunate.

Mr. Chairman, Dear Friends, all of what I have just too briefly outlined amounts to a comprehensive significant, substantial partnership with Israel. I hope I have conveyed my own sense of its priority both in terms of my own and the Government's agenda. I always welcome the input of the CIC. Thank you for your vital contribution to one of the most dynamic and crucial dimensions of Canada's foreign relations.