Finally, and all things considered, the whole system of relations between the Soviet Union and other nations will inevitably be strained and diminished.

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The Canadian Government will be keeping the situation in Afghanistan and its consequences for the international community under close review. As a first response to the present situation, we urge that this council condemn the Soviet Union's role in Afghanistan and demand the withdrawal of all Soviet forces now in Afghanistan so that the people of that country can determine their own future without the interference of any foreign power. The achievement of this objective, we believe, is in the supreme interest of all concerned with our world's peace and security and with the observance of generally accepted norms of civilized international conduct.

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