

"More than friendship and partnership is signified in the relations between our countries. These relations that today enrich our people justify the faith of our fathers that men, given self-government, can dwell at peace among themselves, progressive in the development of their material wealth, quick to join in the defence of their spiritual community, ready to arbitrate differences that may arise to divide them.

"Beyond the shadow of the atomic cloud, the horizon is bright with promise. No shadow can halt our advance together. For we, of Canada and the United States, shall use carefully and wisely the God-given graces of faith and reason as we march toward it - toward the horizon of a world where each man, each family, each nation lives at peace in a climate of freedom."

Our two countries, with Great Britain, have a joint heritage of freedom. We are united in our determination to preserve our heritage of spiritual values that are dearer than life itself. To preserve that steadfast and undiminished unity that saved us in war, our governments, our peoples, must give due regard at all times to the problems of each other with infinite respect, tolerance and consideration.

In the days ahead many grave decisions will face our peoples. In the last analysis, how Canadians and Americans and Britishers get along is a world test of "neighbourhood" in international relations.

In concord with the other free nations, the solidarity of Anglo-Canadian-American friendship is vital to the peace and well-being of the world and will provide the key to whether we succeed or fail in our great quest to maintain freedom for this and future generations.

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