UN Special Session on Disarmament

"Canada stands ready to support", said Mr. Jay, a call for a special session of the UN General Assembly on Disarmament and to participate fully and constructively in it. Such a special session "must not be a dialogue of the deaf". Its objective "must be to infuse a new sense of purpose into the quest for peace and security".

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Mr. Jay said that the UN remains the principal forum in which to focus world attention and for the exchange of views among member states on arms control and disarmament issues and that the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament (CCD) in Geneva "continues to be the most appropriate forum for the negotiation of arms control agreements intended to have universal application".