

The Canadian Government has frequently expressed its determination to explore and support all practical proposals for strengthening peace-keeping methods. We are not deterred by the fact that significant elements in the United Nations membership have opposed the establishment of stand-by arrangements or have refused to pay their share of the costs of peace-keeping. While we recognize that, in present circumstances, formal arrangements cannot be made by resolution of the Security Council or the General Assembly, we urge that steps can and should be taken by individual member governments to improve their own capacity to participate in international peace-keeping ventures.

National governments can improve their own arrangements for providing military assistance to the United Nations. Canadian experience in participating in almost every peace-keeping operation under the United Nations flag, in UNEF, in Palestine, and in the Congo force, in West New Guinea and in Yemen, has taught us the importance of advance

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