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What we are seeking to do, is to remove kinds of discrimination which are based consciously, or unconsciously, on any assumption that peoples of the white race are superior or those of Asiatic races inferior. It is discrimination of this character which is offensive to the feelings of the great countries across the Pacific.

Without going into detail, I wish to make it clear that, apart from the repeal of the Chinese Immigration Act and the revocation of Order in Council P.C. 1378 of June 17, 1931, regarding naturalization, the government has no intention of removing the existing regulations respecting Asiatic immigration until alternative measures of effective control have been worked out. We recognize the right of all other countries to control the entry or non-entry of persons seeking to become permanent residents. We claim precisely the same right for this country.

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In connection with our adherence to the principle of selection, I should like to make it clear that the Canadian government is prepared at any time to enter into special agreements with other countries for the control of admissions on a basis of complete equality and reciprocity. If any country feels that our immigration provisions constitute an offense we will be glad to attempt to work out mutually satisfactory measures to provide for control on some other basis.