

agricultural imports, new loans, tourism promotion, imports of uranium, coal, iron and steel, and place restrictions on Visas. We have terminated a longstanding agreement that prevented double taxation between our two countries. The Prime Minister has gone personally to southern Africa, to demonstrate our support for the Front Line States, and to announce practical measures of assistance.

We intend to continue to play a leading role in taking new measures ourselves, in seeking to organize concerted action by several governments, and in persuading our friends and Allies to act against apartheid.

No international question has occupied more of my time, nor the Prime Minister's, than consideration of a means by which Canada can help fight apartheid. Mr. Mulroney's conversations in Africa this month have intensified his conviction that Canada must do everything we can to end that evil system. That is a purpose to which the Prime Minister, the Foreign Minister, and the government of Canada are committed absolutely. That is understood in the Front Line States; it is understood among countries like India who are allied with us on this issue; and indeed, it is understood among the leaders of other Western countries, who may have a different view of the means to achieve progress against apartheid.

We made two strategic decisions earlier on. The first was that, if Canada was to exert any real influence against apartheid, our bottom line position had to be clear; if nothing else works, we will end our diplomatic and economic relations with South Africa. The second decision was that Canada's influence against apartheid could be better employed by building steady international pressure than by suddenly and dramatically ending our own relations. Our influence with others is greater than our trade with South Africa, and we intend to steadily exert that influence while we gradually restrict that trade.

In my discussions with Canadians about South Africa, I find no support for apartheid. The regime is generally seen as reprehensible and wrong. But I do encounter three concerns that must be faced. One is a