

The Government of Prime Minister Mulroney

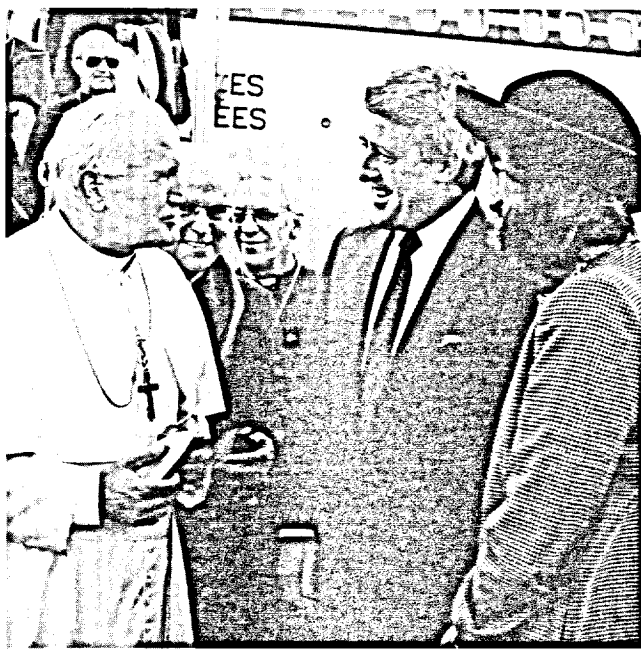
Since its election on September 4, 1984, the Mulroney Government has been charting a new direction for Canada, a direction characterized by economic renewal and national reconciliation.

The largest electoral victory in Canadian political history had demonstrated that Canadians wanted a change from the political agenda and priorities of previous years. For the first time in a decade, every region of the country is strongly represented in the governing party.

"Let it be clear to all that the Canadian people have reminded their leaders of the path they shall always want this nation to follow... the path of tolerance and dialogue, of compassion, of respect for minorities, of hard work and unshakeable faith in the human spirit. This country has never been too vast for the dreams of its founders and the hopes of their children."

Prime Minister Mulroney

To fulfil the national will for change, the Mulroney Government announced its commitment to a renewal in the traditions of Canadian federalism and an agenda that called for consultations with every facet of Canadian society.



Pope John Paul II being greeted by Prime Minister Mulroney and his wife Mila as he began his historic seventeen-day pilgrimage across Canada. The Pope's vision of peace and hope is one shared by the Prime Minister and all Canadian citizens.



Prime Minister Mulroney has made clear Canada's intention to honour its commitment to the North Atlantic Treaty alliance. In early 1985, he met with newly-appointed NATO Secretary General Lord Carrington.

The top priority for the Mulroney Government is building a Canadian economy that is second to none in the world. To achieve this goal, the federal government is building a coalition of business, labour and other levels of government to work together on solutions leading to economic growth.

In addition to this focus on economic expansion, the Government has initiated orderly deregulation in many sectors of the economy, including transportation and energy.

Reducing the government's budgetary deficit, an issue not unique to Canada, has also become an important economic and social priority.

Towards this goal, Prime Minister Mulroney has commissioned Deputy Prime Minister Erik Nielsen, to conduct a wide-ranging review of government programs to suggest improvements to program efficiency and effectiveness.