

INTERNATIONAL NEGOTIATIONS AND AGREEMENTS

Seventy-fifth Anniversary of Confederation

Mr. Speaker, this is a day of great significance to the people of Canada. It is a day when we should be proud to look back on the achievements of our forefathers and to look forward to the future of our country. I believe that the people of Canada should be proud of the role that they have played in the building of this great nation.

This day, the seventieth anniversary of Confederation, falls at a time when Canada is enjoying the fruits of peace and prosperity. The energy and resources of the people of Canada are being put to use in the most productive manner. At this time, it is our duty to look back on the achievements of our forefathers and to look forward to the future of our country. I believe that the people of Canada should be proud of the role that they have played in the building of this great nation.

Today the very existence of the nation which was established in 1867 is threatened. The people of Canada are being asked to give up their rights and to accept a new constitution. I believe that the people of Canada should be proud of the role that they have played in the building of this great nation.

The fathers of Confederation built this nation on a foundation of human freedom, of religious liberty, of racial equality and of deep and lasting attachment to a common heritage. I believe that the people of Canada should be proud of the role that they have played in the building of this great nation.

Our people seek, everywhere, to be free from slavery, discrimination and racial prejudice. I believe that the people of Canada should be proud of the role that they have played in the building of this great nation.

To meet this threat to our national existence, the people of Canada must stand together. I believe that the people of Canada should be proud of the role that they have played in the building of this great nation.