

join with other members of the United Nations in urging that renewed efforts be made to find a solution to the problems of Cyprus. After 15 months, we remain convinced that progress towards this objective is most likely to be achieved through substantive and meaningful negotiations, conducted in a dedicated and flexible manner, between representatives of the island's two communities. It is from there that the initiative must come, with other interested parties contributing as best they can to the development and maintenance of the necessary momentum. In our view, the circumstances at the present time are as propitious as they are likely to be for successful negotiations -- and we urge that this opportunity be grasped. In this regard, we are particularly appreciative of the personal efforts the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and his personal representatives in the area, have been making to facilitate the negotiating process. We know that the Secretary-General will not be discouraged by the rather unproductive results of the fourth round of negotiations held here in New York in September and will persist in his efforts, on the basis of the co-operation of the parties, to schedule a fifth -- and, one hopes, more fruitful -- meeting in this continuing series of intercommunal discussions.

One year ago, Canada joined the members of the United Nations in unanimously supporting Resolution 3212, which, because of its balance, appeared to provide a reasonable context in which the intercommunal negotiations could proceed. All of us will be required shortly to vote on another General Assembly resolution on Cyprus. In this resolution, it will be necessary to take account of a variety of important considerations but, from the point of view of my delegation, the overriding concern is that whatever resolution should materialize should be couched in terms that will permit it to receive the same broadly-based support as Resolution 3212 received last year.

The delegation of Canada, representing a country that has been a major troop-contributor to UNFICYP, would naturally like to see some reiteration of the thought contained in operative Paragraph 8 of Resolution 3212, which called upon all parties to continue to co-operate fully with the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus. In this connection, and with reference to a directly-related matter, I should like to recall once more a very important paragraph from my Minister's statement in the general debate, to which I have referred (and I quote):

"Peacekeeping can only continue...if it has the full support of all member states, including practical support in the form of prompt payment of peacekeeping assessments. Without the necessary financial resources,

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