- -- An enhanced <u>Pacific Trade Strategy</u> to help Canadian business compete in the expanding markets of Asia Pacific.
- -- A Japan Science and Technology Fund to strengthen Canada's scientific and technological base through cooperation with Japanese research institutes.
- -- A Pacific 2000 Language and Awareness Fund so more Canadians will speak Asian languages and understand Asian cultures.
- -- A Pacific 2000 Projects Fund so that Canada becomes better known in Asia Pacific.

Canada's trade policy can only be global. The Free Trade Agreement with the U.S. will ensure Canada's full participation in the rebirth of state-of-the-art North American technologies. That makes us much more competitive in the world. It lets us "go global". Some people saw the FTA as a sign that Canada was turning away from the world, and locking ourselves in this continent. It means the opposite - it gives us the scale and the scope to compete in a wide world that is changing dramatically.

We have in this country world-class industries and world-class financial institutions. Our economy is diversified and strong. We are well equipped to prosper. Canadians have the fundamental ability, the skills and the talents to compete successfully in the future as we have in the past.

Our responsibility is to provide the opportunities and the environment to ensure that these talents are used to the fullest of their capabilities. We would be failing our youth and our future if we did not reach out and compete in the changing world we see before us.