

"I would like to congratulate you on assisting the starving people in Ethiopia. Our hearts go out to them in their hour of great need.

We understand the nights are cold and the people have no way to cover themselves. My company would like to donate 1,000 blankets and 1,000 cotton sheets to these needy people. We will prepay to any Canadian port."

Joseph Aziz
Dophes Ltd.
Weston, Ontario

"Faced with an unprecedented calamity in Africa, Canadians have responded with unprecedented enthusiasm and generosity. Events within Canada in the last few months have demonstrated that a great many of our citizens continue to believe in a substantial foreign aid program and will make a serious effort to support it."

Robert Fulford
Editor
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"If I took you out to the refugee camp, the famous one, Wad-Kowli on the border of Ethiopia, there are still 80,000 people there. The death rate is still at 60 a day, largely children, largely as a result of measles, diarrhea, dehydration and malaria, the water from the neighbouring river, the Atbara River, is simply nonexistent. There are some pathetic little shallows left, but the water that is being trucked in and the water that is found adjacent is already so polluted that it merely incites the disease to greater levels of human tragedy and in that camp 80,000 people are going to have to be moved in the next few weeks in order to survive and it isn't yet clear where they're going to go. And when you visit a camp of that kind it leaves one devastated and the feeling is that you must somehow get out and persuade the community and the government that at all costs there has to be an answer.

I watched in a period of an hour and a half seven bodies being carried out through the little fabric of that cluster of thousands of tents and shelters, even though you see that on the one hand, on the other hand you see the way in which the distribution of the food aid is identifiably saving lives. I mean kids are playing. There is a little soccer field set up in Wad-Kowli. There are mothers and fathers who are smiling again. Even though there are a thousand people presenting themselves at the clinic every day as outpatients, there are others who would have been dead by now without the camp. So you have this crazy emotional contradiction of the horror on the one hand, but the