

with civilian relief. My Government would not be disposed to approve any tendency to transform that Agency from its main purpose of reconstruction into a relief agency.

The Government of Canada is glad to join with the Governments of Denmark, France the Philippines, Thailand, the United Kingdom and the United States in sponsoring the resolution now before this Committee. This resolution, it seems to us, is phrased in simple and non-controversial terms. Among other things it re-affirms the objective of the United Nations set out in the resolution of the General Assembly of December 1, 1950, of providing relief and rehabilitation to assist the people of Korea. It recognizes that the need of such relief and rehabilitation continues to be most urgent. It notes with approval that the Agent-General has now undertaken, in co-operation with the responsible authorities, a programme of relief and rehabilitation approved by the Advisory Committee. It expresses its appreciation of the contributions which have been made by governments, Specialized Agencies and non-governmental organizations. It requests governments which have made pledges to the Agency to make prompt payment of their pledges and, lastly, it requests all governments, Specialized Agencies and non-governmental organizations to assist in meeting the great and continuing need of the Korean people for relief and rehabilitation assistance. I express the earnest hope that the resolution will receive the widest possible support from delegations at this table.

But it is not enough to vote in favour of this resolution. The Agency must continue to receive from governments the financial support necessary to enable it to carry out approved reconstruction programmes. I therefore with great respect urge those governments which already have made pledges to pay in the amount of their pledges and those governments which have not made pledges to offer some contribution to the Agency. I am instructed to say that until this has been done, governments which have paid the amount of their pledges in full would probably not be disposed to consider making additional contributions.

I believe it desirable to emphasize this matter. As I have said, the Canadian Government considers the work of the Korean Relief Agency to be of vital importance. This work cannot go on unless governments contribute funds to allow it to do so. We say, and I hope we say it modestly, that we have made our contribution promptly and in full.

I am sure we are all in agreement that everything possible should be done to remedy the disasters which have befallen the people of Korea.

