

one who proposed flexible response. It was adopted officially by MacNamara and wasn't accepted within NATO until 1967 because the French didn't concur with the policy of flexible response. And the problems, as I have said yesterday, is that the European countries have a schizophrenic approach to it. They don't want to have a limited nuclear war and therefore they feel the need for conventional forces because they want to prevent a quick reaction by the Soviet Union. On the other hand, they don't want to wage a conventional war either and therefore they feel they need the tactical nuclear weapons as a credible response. And there is no way to settle that debate. Substantively speaking if Tom had told me that this was the purpose of the conference I could have pressed a button in the Social Scientific Index computer in Laval and come up with three thousand articles on the subject. You know, I think myself that the real problem for Canada is how best can we contribute to collective security and how best can we specialize. That's my first point and I thought that this is what I was trying to make quite clear yesterday.

The second point is on arms control. Those problems can not be settled quickly and if we want to speak up on the subject we have to speak up with authority. And we mention that we have a lot of technical expertise in a number of areas and obviously, when yesterday I made a suggestion for the establishment of a permanent advisor body in Foreign Policy and Security issues, this is the body I had in mind and you would need experts. I don't think that those experts should feel responsible before public opinion which doesn't mean that they should negate the present, current, public opinion but that they should come up with a policy paper on the subject. Everybody knows that there may be a crisis before or after the deployment of the cruise in Europe. If we have something to say about it, we should have said it three or four years ago. We should have said it last year. And if we have something to say about it, it will take at least a year or two before the people can find out what the real problems are, what the alternatives and the options are. And I think that this is a very serious problem, and I don't think