

for young Canadian graduates to serve in the developing countries, has proven its mettle. Those individuals who were instrumental in the development of CUSO, the Canadian universities which have so strongly supported the organization and the Canadian University Foundation, which has played an important role in its administration, have every right to be proud. CUSO has done much and done it well.

I am very happy to announce this evening that the Government will provide transportation for this year's CUSO volunteers from Canada to their destination in the developing countries. By entering into this kind of constructive and practical partnership, the Government will be giving tangible recognition of the strong support we have for this voluntary organization. At the same time, we want to encourage and sustain the essentially voluntary nature of CUSO. It is from its voluntary and non-governmental character that CUSO gets its spirit and its impetus and we must do everything to make sure that this spirit and this impetus remain undiminished.

I believe that, in the relationship between the Government and the voluntary associations in Canada in the field of international aid, we have a unique and precious opportunity to create a new and vibrant concept in international development. I should like to see a close collaboration develop between all these associations and the Government, all playing their proper role.

In our time, international development is the task of every man. This is not something that government can do alone. Here is an opportunity for all sectors of the Canadian community to join in a great constructive international partnership. I assure you that the Government will play its full role.

Somewhere in his writings, Ralph Waldo Emerson once said: "It is the eye which makes the horizon". In free societies it is the university which must provide the beacon to light the way ahead. The problems we face in today's world are numerous and often depressing. Sometimes we seem to be making little progress. Yet we must not lower our eyes from the horizon. Simply because of the immensity of our challenges, we must pursue our ideals with a faith and a resolution which must stand undiminished before any threat. The great imperative of our time is the creation of a true international community and a more secure international order based on strong moral and intellectual foundations.

Like any community, this international community depends in the final analysis upon its citizens. Upon the universities, first and foremost, rests the responsibility for developing and nurturing these citizens of the world. This is a frightening and an awesome responsibility. It is also one of the greatest opportunities and richest privileges that the universities have ever encountered, for this is a goal which has been latent in the idea of the university for centuries. It is a goal which in our time has become an absolute necessity, a goal which demands and is worthy of our mightiest endeavours.