

WE MUST EXPORT, BUT EXPORTS CANNOT DEVELOP PROPERLY UNLESS THERE IS A STABLE GLOBAL TRADE AND PAYMENTS SYSTEM, AND SECURE ACCESS TO FOREIGN MARKETS. WE ARE COMMITTED, THEREFORE, TO STRENGTHENING THE MULTILATERAL INSTITUTIONS AND AGREEMENTS, SUCH AS THE GATT AND IMF, WHICH ARE THE MAINSTAYS OF THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC SYSTEM. WE ARE ALSO DISCUSSING WITH THE UNITED STATES WAYS OF LIBERALIZING TRADE BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES. IN PARTICULAR, WE WANT TO FIND WAYS OF ELIMINATING U.S. NON-TARIFF BARRIERS WHICH POSE REAL DANGERS TO OUR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP. ANY CANADA-U.S. AGREEMENT WOULD, OF COURSE, BE COMPATIBLE WITH OUR GATT OBLIGATIONS. WE MUST RENEW THE POST-WAR VISION OF COOPERATION AMONG NATIONS FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL, ESPECIALLY IN THE FACE OF SHORT-SIGHTED PRESSURE TO REJECT OR IGNORE THE FORCES OF HISTORICAL CHANGE.

ONE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTION WHICH IS WORKING VERY WELL IS NATO. I AM TRAVELLING FROM LONDON TO BRUSSELS TO ATTEND A MEETING OF NATO FOREIGN MINISTERS, AND I WILL USE THAT OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW OUR PROFOUND COMMITMENT TO THE COLLECTIVE SECURITY OF THE WEST. THE NEW GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO FULFILL ALL OUR NATO COMMITMENTS AND TO ACT ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE SECURITY OF CANADA IS INSEPARABLE FROM THE SECURITY OF OUR EUROPEAN ALLIES.