

# Red Menace should be handled with kid gloves, cautions Joe Clark

from *The Gauntlet*

by Robin Thompson

"If perestroika is the refrain of today's Soviet Union, it is not the whole score," said Joe Clark during Friday's (Jan. 12) address in the MacEwan Student Centre.

Clark, the Secretary of State for External Affairs, lauded the Soviet government for economic, political, and social reforms since 1986, while stressing that the West must still be wary of Soviet motives. In addition, the West must continue to support NATO and the American defense network, according to Clark.

In his address, Clark made note of "the unflinching determination with which Mr. Gorbachev and his colleagues have exposed one Stalinist atrocity after another to the glare of history." The Soviet armed forces are pulling out of Afghanistan, destroying

all SS-20 class missiles, and have announced a unilateral decision to destroy the Soviet chemical weapon stockpile, Clark said.

Even with the increase in Soviet emigration figures (3,500 Jewish emigrants in December), the release of hundreds of political prisoners, and the cessation of jamming of Western radio by Eastern European governments, Clark stressed that the West must not relax in its view of the Soviet Union.

"Can we forget the unprovoked and unjustified invasion of Afghanistan?" questioned Clark. Even though the Soviet Union is destroying SS-20 class missiles and its chemical weapons stockpile, the West still faces formidable and improving Soviet forces, he said. This must be taken into account in the formation of Canadian foreign policy, according

to Clark.

"Prudence demands that we maintain a credible military and political defence of these values," stated Clark in defense of Canada's participation in NATO and the American defense network. The perpetuation of Western democracy requires active participation

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in NATO forces, and support for the "American strategic deterrent which underpins NATO's security." An example of Canada's role is its allowance of cruise missile testing over northern Canada.

Diplomacy has been particularly valuable for Canada in its

pursuit of improved East/West relations, Clark stated. Canada's participation in the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), culminating in the Helsinki Final Act of 1975 is an example of this, he explained.

Canada has played a leading role in the follow-up meeting to the CSCE, in progress in Vienna since 1986. The meeting is approaching conclusion and Clark expressed the expectation that the final document will provide a solid foundation for the further pursuit of human rights, stability, and security in Europe. But Clark continued his hard line regarding the Soviets by concluding, "We are determined that the Soviet Union meet the same standards of openness regarding the rights of the Canadian media and interest groups as has prevailed at the Vienna meeting."

Canada will continue to monitor Soviet policy while noting that, "we are in a new and more fluid era," Clark said. "This will bring its own challenges but (will) hold special opportunities for Canada," he stated.

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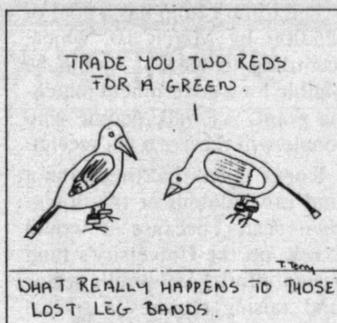
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For more information please contact Les Ferenczi, Coordinator, SSC, 432-5129.

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