

CANADA AND THE UNITED NATIONS IN THE MID-SIXTIES

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Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen;

INTRODUCTION

It is a great pleasure for me to be with you tonight. Those of us who have the job of dealing on a day-to-day basis with Canada's foreign affairs are by force of circumstances compelled to live in what might fairly be called an un-Canadian environment. We alternate long periods of service abroad with spells in Ottawa where we are submerged in the parliamentary-civil-service atmosphere (or should I call it smog) of the capital. In this situation it is very difficult to maintain a sense of identity based on knowledge of the views and concerns of the people for whom we are acting as agents - namely the Canadian taxpayers. Our Department recognizes