

On behalf of the Government and People of Canada, I wish to convey to you, and all the staff members of the United Nations and its affiliated organizations, our warmest wishes on the occasion of the twenty-ninth anniversary of the founding of the United Nations. We are indebted by the steadfast and dedicated efforts of yourself and all others who, through the United Nations System, seek to achieve the aims envisaged over a quarter century ago. It is with a sense of pride in its past accomplishments, and of confidence in its future, that Canada looks this day to the world organization.

Canada also thinks of humanity as a whole on this day, which coincides appropriately with the second World Development Information Day. Development issues have increasingly occupied the attention of the world community this year, with the holding of the Sixth Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly on Raw Materials and Development, the World Population Conference in Bucharest and the first session of the Law of the Sea Conference in Caracas. Attention will continue to be focussed on development in the coming months as we approach the World Food Conference, further Law of the Sea meetings, and the Special Session of the General Assembly to be held next year, at the mid-point of the Second Development Decade. We believe that through public awareness of the problems of development, the will of governments honestly to seek solutions to these problems, and the continued vigorous determination and perserverance of the United Nations staff concerned with these problems, much can be achieved in the struggle to make possible for the peoples of the world a life of increasing harmony and prosperity.

On the occasion of United Nations Day, 1974, Mr. Secretary-General, I am pleased to reaffirm Canada's dedication to the ideals and principles expressed in the Charter and Canada's support for the United Nations Organization in its efforts to embody those principles in action.
Allan J. McEachen.