

- Vadeko -- a Canadian robotics firm -- had no exports in 1986 but now has sales of \$45 million in the United States, largely owing to robotics applications developed with Lockheed and others.

Small wonder, then, that our information technologies should be showcased -- and that Canada should be the featured country -- at the COMDEX/Spring '93 show opening here in Atlanta tomorrow. COMDEX is the largest annual trade show in the United States and one of the best-known computer distribution exhibitions and conferences in the world. I hope we will see many of you there.

We can and will build on the successful relationship enjoyed for many years now between Canada and the southeast states. I want to urge you as members of the Society of International Business Fellows and the Canadian American Society of the Southeastern United States to play a growing role in that process.

Thank you.