

THE HUMANITARIAN DIMENSION OF THIS ISSUE MAY PERHAPS APPEAR TO BE OF GREATER IMMEDIACY AND PRIORITY THAN ANY OTHER, BUT THERE IS ANOTHER DIMENSION WHICH RELATES TO THE BROADER GOALS AND CONCEPTS OF THE CSCE. IT HAS BEEN CONSISTENTLY RECOGNIZED THAT THE PROMOTION OF SECURITY AND COOPERATION BETWEEN EAST AND WEST REQUIRES ENCOURAGEMENT AND EXPANSION OF CONTACTS ON THE BROADEST FRONT -- PERSONAL, ORGANIZATIONAL AND INSTITUTIONAL. THE ARRANGEMENT OF ORGANIZATIONAL AND INSTITUTIONAL CONTACTS, GENERALLY SPEAKING, HAS NOT POSED ANY INSUPERABLE PROBLEMS IN NORMAL PERIODS, BUT NEITHER DO THEY APPEAR TO HAVE HAD, AT LEAST UNTIL NOW, A VERY BROAD OR DEEP EFFECT ON RELATIONS BETWEEN EAST AND WEST. TO MOVE FORWARD, WE MUST FIND WAYS FOR GREATER MUTUAL TRUST AND UNDERSTANDING TO GROW AT THE PERSONAL LEVEL, AND FOR CANADA, ONE OF THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAYS IS TO BEGIN REMOVING THE OBSTACLES TO HUMAN CONTACTS.

IT IS SOMETIMES ARGUED THAT AN INCREASE IN HUMAN CONTACTS WILL FOLLOW AN IMPROVEMENT IN RELATIONS BETWEEN EAST AND WEST. IT IS TRUE, I SUPPOSE, THAT THE GROWTH OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN COUNTRIES MIGHT FOSTER AN ATMOSPHERE CONDUCIVE TO MORE HUMAN CONTACTS, BUT WHY MUST WE WAIT FOR THAT MAGIC DAY? SURELY IT IS EVIDENT THAT HUMAN CONTACTS CAN CONTRIBUTE TO ESTABLISHING AND REINFORCING THAT POLITICAL COOPERATION WHICH IS OF SUCH IMPORTANCE TODAY, AND THAT IN THE MEANTIME, THEY POSSESS VALUE IN MORAL AND HUMANITARIAN TERMS, AND NOT JUST AS BARGAINING CHIPS.

THIS IS A VITAL CONCEPT, MR. CHAIRMAN, WHICH MERITS BOTH EMPHASIS AND ELABORATION: CANADA IS FIRMLY OF THE BELIEF THAT THE CSCE GOALS OF GREATER SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE, AND OF