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Statement by H. T. W. A. ... Canadian representative
in the Second (Economic and Financial) Committee
on the Provision of Food Supplies to Needy Peoples
The United Nations System (Agenda Item 22)
Monday, October 21

Mr. President

It is a privilege to take formally in this Committee
this resolution A.D. 2027, co-sponsored by Canada, India,
Pakistan, United States of America and Venezuela on the
question of the provision of food supplies to needy peoples
through the United Nations system. This is a subject which is
Delegation considers to be one of the most important. It has the
most important of those to be considered at this year's session
of the Second Committee.

Canada has repeatedly urged that international action
be taken to provide food, which is the single in importance of
the world, to needy and hungry peoples in other lands. It is
one of the great necessities of our time that there be an
agreement in the United Nations to provide food to the
other areas where food is in short supply. Only
the international community has developed a real sense of
responsibility and adequate expertise with the technical
international cooperation to find some way out of this
dilemma. The co-sponsors have joined together to present a
resolution A.D. 2027 in an effort to have the Assembly consider
this tragic human problem as a matter of great priority. In
his speech to the General Assembly on September 25, 1963, the
Delegation re-emphasized Canada's determination to lead
international action on this question. It is the
Delegation's belief that the United Nations should
take the lead in this effort to help the world's
people in their hour of need and that to help them raise
their own levels of production. This is the responsibility
of the United Nations as a whole to meet this challenge.
He went on to say "We believe a food bank to provide food to
meet the needs of the United Nations, which is a common world
responsibility. The establishment of a common world food bank
take into account established patterns of trade and exchange
and to utilize the individual capabilities of the various
countries."

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