

sorts to the pull exerted by the omni-present influence of the United States. And even although cold-war realities forced us to turn to NATO for military security, the possibility of finding alternative solutions through the United Nations continues to attract us. In sum, I think it is fair to say, there exists in Canada a kind of "U.N. mystique". This is a highly laudable and useful manifestation of faith provided it is based on a sound appraisal of situations as they are rather than as we would wish them to be. For this reason I'm going to shape my comments on Canada's place in the United Nations with a view to distinguishing between what Senator Fulbright so aptly termed myths and realities.

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