

has been generous, even lavish, in its programmes of assistance in all forms of foreign aid. Canada too has done its part. Canadian contributions up to the end of March 1960 have been estimated at \$4,422 million, or about \$250 from each Canadian, which compares very favourably with per capita contributions from other Western countries.

There is no alternative to continuing with, even increasing, this type of international assistance and co-operation. Until the day comes when the less-developed nations expand their capacity to trade and achieve self-sustaining growth, there is an unanswerable argument in favour of assisting them. It was with this argument in mind that, at the recent meeting of Commonwealth Prime Ministers in London, it was decided to begin work on a programme of economic aid to the emerging nations of Africa, the largest remaining area where international assistance has yet to be launched on a scale remotely consistent with present and future needs.

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