

abundant fish stocks. Under proper management we believe our marine resources will forever play a vital role in feeding Canada and the world.

There have been dramatic advances in other nations. In the past several months, I have been privileged to see the success of agricultural reforms in India and the transformation of dryland into wheatland in Tanzania. Food production is our oldest industry, and our newest. It will always be among the most important work man does.

En conclusion, Monsieur le Président, je désire réaffirmer notre engagement à l'égard du travail accompli par le Conseil mondial de l'alimentation et vous assurer de notre volonté de contribuer au succès de ses entreprises.

Commending this goal to each of the delegates present today and bidding them welcome to the capital of Canada, Mr. President, assembled delegates and guests, I hereby declare the fifth Ministerial Session of the World Food Council officially open.