

This aspect of prior agreement and unity in matters of foreign policy was restated by Mr. L.B. Pearson, Leader of the Opposition, in January, 1959, in reply to the Speech from the Throne:

As has so often been said in the House, these over-riding questions of peace and war must, if we can possibly bring it about, be discussed and decided in this House on as non-partisan a basis as possible. That does not mean that we shall not have disagreement because we shall. But we must always at least try to agree, and I am quite sure that we shall be able to agree on objectives even if we are not always able to agree on methods.  
(House of Commons Debates, January 19, 1959).