Canada's participation in United Nations peace keeping requires an attempt to develop relations with individual nations in the area on a basis of justice and goodwill. We make every effort to do just this. Our links with the Middle East have become many and varied. Our trade with the area is far from negligible, considering that we had almost no contact with the region a relatively short time ago. We want to continue to develop friendly and co-operative relations with all the countries of the Middle East.

I believe that sustained effort in a good cause can bear results even under very difficult circumstances. That is why we persist in our diplomacy and in the peace keeping which is now an important instrument of diplomacy, in the effort to secure international stability. That is why I congratulate you on your sustained effort to make the earth in the Negev bear fruit, so that its inhabitants may live in prosperity, dignity and peace.

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