

Next year defence, including mutual aid, will require about \$1,600 million.

The three-year programme outlined will involve the expenditure, in all matters of the defence of Canada, and our participation in the common effort, of over \$5 billions.

One point I want to emphasize. The programme and the plans I have outlined are all subject to change as the world situation changes.

We in Canada cannot control that situation; all the nations of the free world cannot control it. We cannot hope to have security unless we are free to adapt our plans and our programmes to meet new situations which can - and may - be created at any time by the potential aggressor.

Korea created a new situation and we changed our plans to meet it. It is of vital importance to keep our minds free to make further changes and different plans whenever they are needed.

This report of the government's programme should make it clear to every one of the Canadian people that its accomplishment is not going to be an easy task. It means a greatly increased call, indeed a demand, on the armed services themselves and on all the human and material resources of the country. But Canada has always met every challenge, and the confident determination to meet the threat of Communist expansion will be, and here I am sure I express the feeling of everyone in this house, the dominant feeling of the Canadian people.

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