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Vincent Massey, C.H., Chairman (former Governor General of Canada) to
the 300 Members of HRH The Duke of Edinburgh's Second Commonwealth Study
Conference, at the University of Montreal, on May 15, 1962.

Your Royal Highness, Ladies and Gentlemen,

First may I echo the warm welcome which the members of the conference
received yesterday from our President.

I shall try this morning to give you a brief introduction to the country
in which you will be living for the next few weeks, and tell you something of the
land which is to be the scene of your studies.

Those of you who are coming to Canada for the first time will find that
we possess a complicated national pattern. We Canadians give much thought to
this. In few countries are the citizens so much concerned with the understanding
of themselves; this is, I think, a healthy exercise. If you find it difficult to get