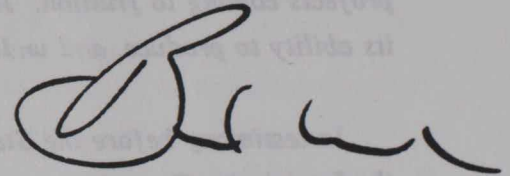


we will all be the poorer for it, as the many expressions of concern from around the world have made painfully clear. We have urged the Department of External Affairs to give special attention to its continuing funding programmes, to the need to try to compensate for the loss of this unique Canadian platform for dialogue and outlet for publication. Second, the national and international communities which the Institute was able to link and catalyze - scholars, officials, politicians, journalists, teachers, students, members of non-governmental organizations - will cease to have a Canadian focal point, which made the whole so much greater than the sum of its parts. We will do our best as we wind up to help connect our own international networks to the appropriate Canadians.

I end by paying tribute to a talented and dedicated staff and Board of Directors who were committed to excellence, who worked hard, efficiently and with enthusiasm, to fulfill the mandate of Parliament and the trust of Canadians. These fine people will continue to contribute with success and distinction to our society and to its relations with others. Their work here will have lasting legacies, and some are clear in the following pages. The sole regret is that this leading work will not continue.



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