

His Excellency Josip Broz Tito, President of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, and Madame Broz paid a state visit to Canada from November 2-7, 1971, at the invitation of Governor General Roland Michener. President Tito's visit served both to highlight the significant progress made in Canadian-Yugoslav relations and to further the cause of better understanding and co-operation between the two countries. President Tito and his party had an opportunity to become acquainted with the cultural diversity of Canada and the way of life of Canadians in many fields of endeavour and in various parts of the country.

President Tito was accompanied by H. E. Kiro Gligorov, Member of the Presidency of the SFRY; H. E. Vidoje Zarkovic, President of the Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Montenegro and Member of the Presidency of the SFRY; H. E. Mirko Tepavac, Federal Secretary for Foreign Affairs, and Madame Tepavac; H. E. Mirjana Krstinic, Member of the Federal Executive Council; and others.

During their stay in Canada, which took place in an atmosphere reflecting the friendly relations between Canada and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, President Tito and his party held official talks in Ottawa and visited Quebec City and Halifax. In Ottawa Governor General Roland Michener gave a state dinner in honour of President Tito at Rideau Hall and the Prime Minister entertained him at lunch. President Tito was also introduced to Parliament. A group of senior businessmen was presented to President Tito by the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce, Mr. Pepin. The President and his party visited various scientific, cultural, educational and industrial places of interest. In the Province of Quebec the President and his party toured Quebec City and were entertained at a dinner given by the Prime Minister of Quebec, the Honourable Robert Bourassa. In Halifax President Tito was the guest of honour at a dinner given by the Premier of Nova Scotia, the Honourable Gerald Regan, and was the recipient of an honorary degree from Dalhousie University.

President Tito had official talks with Prime Minister Trudeau. Separate discussions were held between Mr. Tepavac, Federal Secretary for Foreign Affairs, and the Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Sharp. Mr. Gligorov and Madame Krstinic held discussions with Mr. Benson, Minister of Finance, as well as with Mr. Aitken, President of the Export Development Corporation. All these discussions, held in a spirit of frankness, cordiality and mutual understanding, provided an opportunity for a wide-ranging exchange of views on the current state and future prospects of Canadian-Yugoslav relations, as well as on international questions of common interest. Views were also exchanged on the current problems and future development of federal states.

The Canadian side outlined the basic aims of ^{with} Canadian foreign policy, including the aim of working ~~both~~ with allies and other countries for the promotion of international peace, stability and understanding. The Yugoslav side elaborated the orientation of Yugoslavia's foreign policy, based on the principle of non-alignment. It was noted that the non-aligned countries had a