

the Canadian Government has been considering certain additional requests which have been addressed to us by the Secretariat. I have already announced the despatch of ten additional Canadian observers to the United Nations Military Observer Group for India and Pakistan itself. I am now authorized to say that the Canadian Government has agreed to provide the Commander of the new Observer Group which the Secretary General is establishing in pursuance of the Security Council Resolution of September 20. We shall also provide twelve observers for service with that group and in addition, a number of aircraft, a senior air staff officer and air crew for service with both Observer Groups in the region. In undertaking to meet these requests, the Government of Canada expects that the new Observer Group will, of course, be withdrawn as soon as changing circumstances in the area make this possible.

Furthermore, as I have already indicated, if there are any ways in which Canada can assist in facilitating the initiation, continuation and, as we devoutly hope, completion of negotiations, we stand ready to do whatever we can.