

PRESIDENT CARTER: I learned that we have very intense competition with our friends from the North. In a George Gallup poll, recently, people who live in the United States were asked to name their favorite Nations. The United States got 95%; Canada got 91%! So I feel that I am in an intensive and very challenging competition with Pierre Trudeau for the hearts of our people.

I think this does indicate the great compatibility and friendship and sense of warmth and mutual admiration that has always existed among American people towards Canada.

We share a border that is 5,200 miles long and, for 200 years, our people have lived-with one very brief interval around 1812--in the spirit of friendship. And that is important to us.

Even more, we think, in our daily lives, we are dependent on Canada for many things.

Canada has about 22 million people, and, every year, 60 million people cross the Border, and there is a kinship and a sharing of the life, the challenge, and the enjoyment of life, that transcends the political realities of a modern, fast changing, technological World.

Of course, the technologies are important, as well.

We are now beginning to see that many of the things that we took for granted -- the purity of water in the