

possible, early in 1974, and upon an exchange of delegations in the field of education.

Concerning sport, we have agreed to an exchange of three teams from each country in 1974.

Regarding the media, I was happy to accept an invitation for a delegation of representatives of the press of Canada to visit China, returning the visit to Canada earlier this year of Chinese press representatives.

Finally, we have agreed to an exchange of radio and television programs and documentary films between our two countries.

Consular affairs

In the consular field, extensive discussions have been held in a co-operative and friendly atmosphere on matters that are of mutual concern to the Chinese and Canadian Governments and will mean much to our peoples. These discussions have resulted in agreements in three areas. The broadest of these is an understanding on the formal establishment of consular relations that includes a provision for each side to set up a consulate-general in the other country. Another is an understanding on the simplification of visa procedures, which will facilitate the movement of persons between the two countries. Thirdly -- and of perhaps the greatest humanitarian interest -- is an understanding to facilitate the reunion of families. It will now be possible for the Canadian Government to process within China applications made by Canadian residents on behalf of their relatives in China.

We regard these three understandings as a major contribution to increasing the movement of persons to which the Canadian Government attaches great importance.

World affairs

The format of the discussions was proposed by the Chinese side. They began with a statement by myself of the Canadian viewpoint on a wide range of subjects both of a general nature and of particular interest to the two countries. The most obvious matters were those currently occupying the attention of governments everywhere, including the situation in the Mid-East, the problems of newly-emerged and emerging countries, the movement toward an accommodation in Europe, and the world situation in respect of energy resources and food supplies.

In these, as in other matters, I took the opportunity of explaining to the Premier the particular attitudes that arise out of Canada's unique geographical and historical position in the world and the Government's policies relating to them. Premier Chou displayed

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