

Remarks by the Secretary of State for External Affairs



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We are fortunate to have in Canada a wide range of individuals and organizations with a deep knowledge of the complexities of the struggle for peace, security and disarmament. Through the operation of the Disarmament Fund, the Department of External Affairs is actively seeking to increase knowledge of these issues among Canadians and encourage their efforts to meet together and undertake a balanced discussion of arms control and disarmament issues, and to engage in a constructive dialogue with their government on these questions. Broader public awareness and involvement will enhance our ability to make a distinctive Canadian contribution to the international resolution of these issues.

I believe it is essential that Canadians play a greater role in the consideration of these fundamental issues which affect us all so profoundly. I am pleased that the Department of External Affairs is able to help encourage these efforts through the Disarmament Fund.