

FAMILIES, MARRIAGE, AND THE PROMOTION OF CONTACTS BETWEEN PEOPLE AND BETWEEN ORGANIZATIONS". HE DEFINED THE HUMANITARIAN ELEMENT AS A FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE OF THE SOVIET APPROACH TO INTERNATIONAL SECURITY. THIS SUGGESTS TO US THAT WE CAN SET ASIDE OUR DEBATE OF THE PAST ABOUT WHICH HAS TO COME FIRST - HUMAN CONTACTS OR DETENTE, AND AGREE THAT PROGRESS IN ONE WILL CONTRIBUTE TO, AND REINFORCE, THE OTHER.

THE IMPORTANT AND WELCOME CONTRIBUTION OF GENERAL SECRETARY GORBACHOV TO SOVIET THINKING ON INTERNATIONAL SECURITY, RAISES THE HOPE THAT WE CAN MAKE PROGRESS AT THIS MEETING. WE SHOULD THEREFORE AIM FOR A REPORT WHICH GIVES ASSURANCE OF OUR DETERMINATION TO IMPLEMENT FULLY THE CSCE PROVISIONS CONCERNING HUMAN CONTACTS, AS WELL AS IDENTIFYING WHAT NEW AND FURTHER STEPS WE CAN TAKE TO FACILITATE A FREER MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE. WE WOULD THUS SERVE HUMANITARIAN INTERESTS AS WELL AS THE BUILDING OF MUTUAL SECURITY AND COOPERATION AMONG THE PARTICIPATING STATES. THE CANADIAN DELEGATION CAN BE COUNTED ON TO CONTRIBUTE FULLY TO THIS TASK IN A BUSINESS-LIKE AND POSITIVE SPIRIT.

I THINK IT IS EVIDENT, MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT WE HOPE THAT AT THIS MEETING WE WILL SUCCEED IN AGREEING UPON AT LEAST SOME MODEST STEPS THAT WILL EASE THE CONCERNS OF SO MANY INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES. AT THE SAME TIME, HOWEVER, WE SHOULD NOT ABANDON OUR QUEST FOR AGREEMENT ON THE LONG-TERM GOAL WHICH WAS DEFINED IN HELSINKI IN 1975. THAT GOAL, PUT IN SIMPLE LANGUAGE, SHOULD BE TO SEARCH FOR THE DAY WHEN, ACKNOWLEDGING OUR DIFFERENT POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS, WE WILL ALL BE ABLE TO WELCOME VISITORS WITHOUT FEAR, AND ALLOW OUR CITIZENS TO MOVE ELSEWHERE, WITHOUT CONSIDERING THIS AN