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Speech by the Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, at a dinner of the International Relations Club, University of Montreal, Saturday, March 12, at 8:30 p.m.

"NEW DIMENSIONS - SOME REFLECTIONS ON CANADIAN FOREIGN POLICY AND DIPLOMACY"

I am sure, Mr. Chairman, that as students of various academic disciplines, united by an interest in international relations, you have heard a great many lectures on foreign policy and on changing political and economic affairs in the world. I am honoured, therefore, to be asked to contribute remarks of my own, particularly on a convivial occasion such as this.

The International Relations Club is a well-known institution to us from Ottawa. I had the pleasure a short time ago to see the impressive record of your activities. We have graduates from your ranks in earlier years who are now applying their knowledge of foreign affairs — academic and practical — to the business of the Canadian Government.

I do not intend to make this an occasion for a more systematic lecture on all the broad themes of Canadian foreign policy. Nor do I intend to delve into the details of a single current problem. I know of your interest in the new conditions under which our diplomacy is practiced and in new areas of activity for Canada abroad. I should like to give you