

countries in the area to discuss the best method of developmental assistance.

Canada is looking forward to developing its ties with collective trade groups such as the Caribbean Common Market with which we signed a Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement earlier this year. The Canadian government has also established Joint Economic Committees to stimulate trade and technology exchanges with a number of Latin American countries. We are also looking forward to developing similar cooperation with SELA and the Andean group of countries where Canada has established a presence at the ANDEAN Development Corporation.

These are some of the things I expect to happen in the near future - things that the Government of Canada can help bring about. But these are not the only contacts Canadians will have with our neighbours in the Americas. Individual Canadians have discovered the countries to the south.

Thirty years ago - even twenty years ago, Canadians took summer holidays, and those who travelled normally went to Europe. Maybe our educational system is finally working, but now Canadians are increasingly taking holidays in the winter, and discovering the warmth, the welcome, and fun and, yes, the challenges of the Caribbean and Latin America. Businessmen who go south to holiday often return to do trade. Many of you from these countries already see quite a number of Canadians in the usual course of events. Well, Mr. President, I can tell you, you haven't seen anything yet.