

Uncertainties about such things ahead are, of course, nothing new to the CBC. For years it has probably been part of the spice of life for those working for the public in the CBC part of the system not to know at any time whether any current public discussions would lead shortly to a major change in responsibilities or in means and powers to carry these out. That has been the case for years through the recurring cycles I have spoken of. But all the time it has been, and is now, the responsibility of those in broadcasting - radio and television - to push ahead with the job, to do the best possible with the means and mandates immediately at hand. That is what we in the CBC are doing as best we can.

Among other things, broadcasting in Canada is different in the amount of uncertainty it normally lives with. The ability of the system with the public and private elements to serve the Canadian public will be strengthened if and when there is a reduction in the uncertainty, and lines for the future are determined.

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