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Introduction of the President of the United States  
by  
The Prime Minister

On behalf of the government and people of Canada I have the honour of welcoming the President of the United States to the capital city of Canada. Mr. Roosevelt's visit to Ottawa is a compliment to Canada which will be deeply appreciated by our people. Mr. Roosevelt is fresh from the momentous conferences at Quebec with the Prime Minister of Great Britain and their military advisers. The people of Canada were proud to be the hosts at that historic meeting. We welcomed the opportunity to serve in our traditional role as the link between our closest neighbour, the United States, and the Commonwealth of free British nations. Canada occupies a unique position. Our country is at once a nation of the new world and a member of the British Commonwealth. No people has a deeper interest in the maintenance of harmony and co-operation between the Commonwealth and the United States. Mr. Roosevelt would, I am sure, be the first to agree that our co-operation has been promoted and our mutual understanding deepened by the conferences which have just concluded at Quebec City.

Since the last official visit of President Roosevelt to our country, the bonds between our two countries have been