

Certain features that emerged from the discussion are worthy of special mention:

- (1) Problems arising from severe climatic and permafrost conditions are of considerable interest to both countries and have been identified for study by the working groups in construction, electric power, the oil industry and the gas industry.
- (2) The naming of the six working groups I have mentioned does not, of course, exhaust the area of possible co-operation in the industrial application of science and technology. In addition to working groups, other contacts will continue, and further working groups may be established by agreement.

I was impressed by the speed with which our Canadian businessmen and experts were able to get down to specifics with their Soviet counterparts.

The next session of the Mixed Commission will be held in Ottawa early in 1972.

While I was in Moscow, I met separately with Mr. Patolichev, the Soviet Minister of Foreign Trade. We engaged in a useful review of trade developments and of prospects for the further expansion of trade. I was invited also to call on Mr. Polyansky, Deputy Premier of the Soviet Union. Our discussions covered the broad range of relations between Canada and the Soviet Union. Mr. Polyansky particularly asked me to convey to the Governor General of Canada and to the Prime Minister the greetings of Mr. Pödgorny, President of the Soviet Union, Premier Kosygin and First Secretary Brezhnev. He also asked me to tell the Canadian Prime Minister -- and I do so now -- how much the Soviet Government is looking forward to welcoming him to the Soviet Union later this year.