

# Summation

---

Mr. Wallace in his role as Conference Chairman thanked Dr. Pierre Camu and his panelists for a lively and memorable final session. He likened the task of summarizing the day's proceedings as one where St. Peter himself would have had difficulty, as the matter was complex, and the individual inputs by knowledgeable people in this all-day session had been supplemented in individual contacts and discussions.

The key elements of the day's proceedings had been

- the Recommendations of the five seminars
- the Resolution from the floor
- the confirmation that transportation problems did exist for many companies trading with developing countries
- the need for users to obtain access to "efficient service at the lowest possible cost"
- the rejection of protectionism, and the need to eliminate this by adopting appropriate and effective approaches
- that this solution need not involve a Canadian deepsea fleet

Mr. Hall took exception to this statement, and Mr. Stinnes elaborated from the floor in the following words:

*"While it may not be in the interest of Canadians to support a Canadian flag fleet, this does not mean that it is not in the interest of Canada to have access to a Canadian flag fleet"*.

- that stronger bilateral commercial linkages should be created between exporters and importers,
- that an Advisory Board be created to advise government on such matters as they affect international trade. *(In this regard, following the day's discussions with carrier interests Mr. Wallace conceded that he had modified his view expressed at the Montreal seminar, and now supported the inclusion of both shipper and carrier interests in the proposed advisory board.)*

Mr. Wallace thanked all participants in the seminar series and in the day's proceedings, particularly those who had travelled from overseas who had added so much to our understanding of the complex background to international trade and transportation today. In closing, Mr. Wallace thanked the organizers, and expressed the wish that this be only the first of a series of meetings of this nature.