

for enforcing the Convention in Canada. The Government of Canada will do everything in its power to assist the provinces in child abduction cases.

"While there still remains a lot to be done in resolving the social and legal problems caused by international child abduction, this Convention represents a major first step in the right direction," said Mr. MacGuigan.

Mr. MacEachen stressed the importance of cooperation among nations in dealing with this serious problem and expressed the hope that other countries would join in this effort to combat international child abduction.