have to act in a timely fashion to ensure the Agreement is implemented this year.

The period was also marked by the successful conclusion of a number of agreements including

- The Arctic Cooperation Agreement signed January 11, 1988;
- The Joint Declaration on Counter-Terrorism of the same date;
- The Protocol to Amend the Canada/USA Extradition Treaty of the same date;
- The Protocol to Amend the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement signed on November 18, 1987, and
- The Agreement for the Conservation of the Porcupine Caribou Herd signed on July 17, 1987.

Efforts to conclude an accord on the reduction of acid rain-causing emissions were pursued vigorously, but without success.

Canadian objectives for the April 27-28 official visit to Washington by Prime Minister Mulroney can be summarized as follows:

- To promote the process of ratification and implementation of the Free Trade Agreement and by extension to enhance bilateral trade and economic relations generally.
- To continue to seek an agreement with the United States to undertake a targeted scheduled programme of reductions in transboundary airborne pollution causing acid rain.
- To promote close bilateral defence relations, including defence economic cooperation, and to ensure that Canadian views on North American and international security issues are understood.

On the international level, Canada will wish to exchange views on political, security and economic issues, particularly in view of the forthcoming US-Soviet Summit in Moscow and the Economic Summit to be held in Toronto in June 1988.