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Advance Text of Address by the Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, to be delivered at the 46th Annual Convention of Lions International in Miami, Florida, on June 20, 1963.

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I am very pleased to be here in Miami this morning to address this 46th Annual Convention of Lions International. I bring you greetings and good wishes from Canada as you begin your conference in this city known so well to thousands of holidaying Canadians.

To speak before such a wide audience of an organization which has nearly 700,000 members in many different countries around the globe is an imposing test for any man. I am strengthened both by your goodwill and because I know a good deal about the spirit of Lionism.

There is a vigorous Lions Club in my home city of Windsor. When it was formed in 1920, it was the first Club established outside the United States. It was the formation of the Windsor Club which brought into use the term -Lions International.

During the past few weeks I have studied the work of the Lions International. I have studied your objectives and your creed. I have been impressed both by your words and by your actions, particularly the efforts you have made in community service and in promoting better international relations.

This beautiful seaside city of Miami is the gateway to the Caribbean and Latin America. Through our Commonwealth

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