

made in Working Group A. While Canada continues to reserve its position on the attitude which it will adopt at the Special Session towards the resolutions which will then be again before it, my Delegation finds no difficulty in seriously examining at this time and in this forum the possibilities of agreement suggested as a result of the pragmatic approach adopted by the representatives of India and Japan. I hasten to add that I believe we have heard this afternoon a further constructive contribution from the representative of France which obviously merits careful consideration. If the French statement, taken together with the statements by other delegations, does enable us to achieve some significant understandings on the future financing of peacekeeping operations, then the Canadian Delegation will be the first to applaud this as a triumph of common sense.

In their very helpful statements, Ambassador Parathasarathi of India proposed, and Ambassador Matsui of Japan supported, the proposition that we confine our attention to consideration of the financing of peacekeeping operations authorized by the Security Council. This is an approach which is entirely consistent with the approach of my Delegation. It meets our desire to achieve an understanding on practical remedies, without prejudice to the various positions of Member States regarding the respective responsibilities of the Security Council and the General Assembly. Here we are really concerned with two points: (a) that financing of future