every specific interest at the same time. Canada is divided into a number of great regions, with many international interests; its economy falls into a number of sectors that must compete for a place in the sun when tariffs and trade agreements are being negotiated. It is the special task of the Government to establish priorities and advance local interests in a manner calculated to promote the general Canadian interest. Let me assure you that in the performance of this task no part of Canada takes precedence. Our international dealings serve the West and the East, the Pacific Coast and the Atlantic Provinces. After all, it is only in this way that Canada can be served and will remain united.



Seated at the Council table during the NATO ministerial meeting held in Brussels of December 3 and 4, 1969, are Canada's Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honorable Mitchell Sharp (left), and Mr. Ross Campbell, Permanent Representative and Ambassador for Canada to the North Atlantic Council.

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