

has for ten years been the major target of Canadian attention at the U.N. We have used every avenue at our disposal to present it as a significant contribution to the maintenance of peace; - a valuable addition to the machinery provided in the Charter for the peaceful settlement of disputes which has helped avoid any necessity to resort to the Charter provisions for coercive action in dealing with breaches of the peace, even assuming agreement could be obtained to invoke them.

17. I think it is fair to say that the Canadian appreciation of the value of U.N. peacekeeping forces is fully justified and indeed is accepted by most member nations. But this is only half the story; peacekeeping operations have brought in their wake certain attendant problems which show no early prospect of resolution and which as of this moment are imposing increasingly serious limitations on the ability of the organization to maintain and improve on its peacekeeping capacity. I shall single out only