

a meeting which marks a turning point in our national history. We rejoice at the presence in our country of Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill. Their visit is a recognition of the fact that, in this war, Canada has assumed the stature -- and the responsibilities -- of a great power. The people of Canada welcome our two distinguished visitors not only as leaders of the great coalition of free and United Nations, but more intimately as long-standing friends of Canada.

My fellow Canadians:

I have the honour now to introduce the President of the United States and the Prime Minister of Great Britain, who will speak to you in turn.