

We will launch a promotional program in key Canadian cities to focus on joint venture opportunities in Poland. Bilateral discussions on a Foreign Investment Insurance Agreement to facilitate Canadian private sector investment in Poland are now underway. I look forward to completing arrangements soon on a Double Taxation Treaty with Poland which will further encourage trade and investment between our countries.

More generally, we have discussed today ways in which we can build upon the existing relationship between our two countries. We will encourage more parliamentary exchanges and more frequent and regular consultations between officials. We have agreed to expand our Mixed Economic Commission to include a working group on agriculture and we shall see what kinds of closer cooperation we can establish in the areas of health care, food processing and the pulp and paper industry.

On a more personal note, I look forward to further meetings with you, Mr. Minister, in the near future.

In closing, I should like to propose a toast to your good health and to wish for Poland the prosperity and freedom which Poles have cherished so dearly and strived for throughout their history.

Na Zdrowie (Na Zdro'Vyeh).