

flight quotas, the use of airplanes and monitoring and data processing equipment.

We would like to hope that other participants, too, proceed from the need for equality of rights and a balance of interest. Evidently, the Open Skies agreement should be open for subsequently incorporating into it provisions on Open Seas and Open Space. And, of course, it should provide for the establishment of a co-ordinating body to consider all matters concerning compliance with the agreement and the resolution of unclear situations and disputes.

Progress toward greater Glasnost, openness and global confidence-building would effectively contribute to constructing a comprehensive system of international security. It is precisely in this context that we support the measures being proposed.

I am confident that they will lay the groundwork for a really unique system of confidence which, in organic unity with the priceless experience amassed in this area before, will further enhance Europe's standing as the creative laboratory of openness, transparency, disarmament and joint search for ways toward a peaceful human community.

We would like to believe that this experience will be a lodestar for mankind, that it will be supported by the United Nations and by all continents and regions as an example and model for building a global confidence system.

Our warm thanks go to the Government, and people, of Canada, who are giving such a hospitable welcome in Ottawa to this important conference working in behalf of mankind.

Thank you.

THE CHAIRMAN:

Thank you very much, Mr. Shevardnadze. Could I call now upon the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Right Honourable Douglas Hurd.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE DOUGLAS HURD, CBE, MP,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS,  
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND:

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

I would like, first, to pick up the last point made by our Soviet colleague and add our warm thanks to the Canadian government for their initiative in calling this conference, and for their hospitality. I know that talk of global warming can only be