

Directions' with a presentation by a Canadian scholar well known in both Canada and Japan, Dr Kal Holsti, of the University of British Columbia. Dr. Holsti's remarks will be commented on by a scholar and practitioner of international renown, Mr. Yasushi Akashi, Chairman of the Japan Centre for Preventive Diplomacy, and former Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Session two will address a topic of considerable current interest and controversy, that of 'Humanitarian Intervention: Ethics and International Law.' We will hear a presentation by one of Canada's leading scholars in the field of international law, Dr. Craig Scott, of Osgoode Hall Law School. We will then be offered comments on this presentation by Professor Yozo Yokota, recently of the University of Tokyo, and currently Professor at Chuo University and Special Advisor to the Rector of the United Nations University.

Our third afternoon session will look at the 'Impact of Technological Change on Peace and Security' in a presentation by Professor Ronald Deibert of the University of Toronto. This is a 'leading-edge' theme that will occupy us a great deal in the months and years to come. Professor Yuzo Murayama of Osaka's University of Foreign Studies will offer comments.

And finally, in the afternoon's fourth session, we will look at an issue of considerable importance to countries like Japan and Canada, with significant maritime interests. Canada's Special Advisor on Policy to our Maritime Forces Pacific Headquarters, Dr. Jim Boutilier, will speak on 'Issues in Maritime Security.' Commenting on Dr. Boutilier's presentation will be Professor Naoyuki Agawa of Keio University.

Before we begin, however, I would like to encourage all participants and guests to actively engage in discussions. You have all come here today out of interest in these issues, and I invite you to share your own expertise and experience with others, to exchange and challenge ideas. This is an opportune forum to present challenging new ideas and explore new territories. I hope that this forum will provide all participants with an expanded network of contacts, illuminate new areas for collaboration and help enshrine the critical habit of dialogue. At the same time, as we seek to build upon the successes realized thus far in our bilateral cooperation, I hope that your deliberations will provide us with a wealth of productive new ideas for future development to further expand and enrich our relationship.

Alors, commençons sans plus tarder le *Symposium sur la paix et la sécurité*. La journée s'annonce passionnante. Le menu intellectuel que nous proposons couvre une variété de sujets comme on n'a jamais vue pour une période de discussion aussi courte. C'est une occasion unique de démontrer et de célébrer le dynamisme de la relation entre le Canada et le Japon.

Again, let me welcome you all, participants and guests, to this, the Canadian Embassy's first *Think Canada: Think Peace and Security* event. And let me extend a special thank you to both Keio and York universities and the Asahi Shimbun for the extensive support they have provided in organizing this symposium.

Now, let me turn to Professor Dewitt, and ask him to begin with the symposium's opening address. Professor Dewitt, if you please.