

remain deaf to dialogue that alone can lead us forward in a positive way, we cannot hope to make progress.

On a final specific issue, I wish to mention the recent Gleneagles Agreement, by which all our governments have agreed to take practical steps to discourage contact or competition by nationals with sporting organizations, teams, or sportsmen from South Africa or any other country where sports are organized on the basis of race, colour or ethnic origin. I believe [that] this is a reasonable and workable approach to this issue, and that we can be happy with the way in which the Commonwealth's statement on sport has been applied to date by members of the community we represent. I sincerely look forward to seeing full contingents from all your countries at the Commonwealth Games that will take place in Edmonton next year. It is important that our youths meet one another in friendly competition, for it is only on this type of solid basis that we can build the future.

In conclusion, may I wish you well in your deliberations. I commend to all of you a rereading of the "Declaration of Commonwealth Principles" adopted at the heads-of-government meeting in Singapore in 1971. It is an eloquent document, which attests to the high ideals and vitality of the Commonwealth. The membership of the Commonwealth reflects the world, and I would have, in many ways, the world reflects the Commonwealth. The search for global security is continuous. The challenges of security are varied and the threats many. We shall, however, persevere. Let us look to the future with optimism and a commitment to our common purposes. The Commonwealth is unique, and together we can build a more secure and just world.

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