

sions about a Canada Development Corporation had similar objectives. In the same vein were decisions to proceed with legislation on Arctic waters pollution, on territorial sea and fishing zones. Such steps are taken not to advance jingoistic claims nor to demonstrate independence needlessly, but to promote national objectives and to protect national interests.

The pattern has now been set, the policy is in motion. The broad implications for the future are becoming apparent. If the seventies do present Canada with anything like the challenges and conditions foreshadowed in Chapter IV, prime importance will attach to internal conditions in the country and steps taken by the Government—at home and abroad—to improve those conditions. Sound domestic policies are basic to effective foreign relations. The most appropriate foreign policy for the immediate future will be the one:

- which strengthens and extends sound domestic policies dealing with key national issues, including economic and social well-being for all Canadians, language and cultural distinctions, rational utilization of natural resources, environmental problems of all kinds;
- which gives Canadians satisfaction and self-respect about their distinct identity, about the values their country stands for, about shouldering their share of international responsibility, about the quality of life in Canada; and,
- which helps Canada to compete effectively in earning its living and making its own way with the least possible dependence on any outside power.

The salient features of policy in future can be seen in the summary descriptions that follow under the theme headings.

Economic Growth

The Government's choices, as reflected in this paper and the accompanying sector studies, underscore the priority which attaches to the network of policies, at home and abroad, designed to ensure that the growth of the national economy is balanced and sustained. Obviously, in the foreign field this means keeping up-to-date on such key matters as discoveries in science and technology, management of energies and resources, significant trends in world trade and finance, policies of major trading countries and blocs, activities of multinational corporations. It calls for constant efforts to expand world trade, bilaterally and multi-