

between the Agency and the host governments as "good and improving". The factors making for co-operation, he states, are becoming stronger. We sincerely hope that the host governments may find it possible to give constructive expression to this co-operative attitude, particularly in renewed efforts to remedy inaccuracies in the ration rolls. Aside from the obvious administrative advantages of clearing up long-standing problems in this regard, rectification of the ration rolls would have the mutually desirable result of making the Agency's services to the refugees more effective and comprehensive.

This Committee devoted a great deal of its time last session to considering the renewal of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency's mandate. It was renewed for the comparatively short period of three years. Next year, therefore, we shall be on the eve of the expiration of the new extension and during the Seventeenth Session of the United Nations General Assembly we shall again be under the same sense of urgency as we were last year. This Delegation, in its statement a year ago, recommended that at its Seventeenth Session the General Assembly, in considering the position of the Agency at that time, should have before it an up-to-date review - which might once again be prepared by the Secretary-General - taking into account the political, economic and psychological aspects of the refugee problem. In the event, the resolution of the 14th Session called for "a review at the end of two years". It may not be too soon to reiterate the Canadian view that an independent high-level survey of this nature will be of great assistance to the Assembly in its re-examination of the Agency's position and the refugee problem.

Nevertheless, we recognize that however helpful may be the proceeds of such informed studies of the refugee problem, and however gratifying the progress which the Agency may be able to record during the remainder of its current mandate, such developments in themselves are not likely to bring us significantly nearer to a comprehensive solution of the refugee problem. It is