

which Parliament has confided to the CBC - to use the airwaves entrusted to us not so as ourselves to influence the outcome of any public discussion or debate, but so as to enhance the abilities, the capacities of the Canadian people to decide, to shape their own destinies. And, as I said in a speech to the Canadian Club in Montreal on November 12th last, when speaking of the referendum question "it would be a betrayal of this public trust, a betrayal of the mandate Parliament has conferred upon us, a betrayal of our own professionalism as broadcasters and journalists, if we in the CBC were to use our favoured, our privileged position so as to tilt the balance in the solemn decision Quebecers are being called upon to make".

It is our job, in short, to enlarge the power of others .. to give to the people of Quebec the information they need to make the decision they will be called upon to make ... to give to the people of Canada the information they require to form the judgments they will be called upon to make concerning the shape of Canada in the future.

More specifically, as I said in Montreal, it is our job, in our information programming "to find the vehicles by which the meaning