

situation is not forgotten by Canadians or the rest of the world, nor allowed to be ignored by the Soviet Union.

For our part, we will encourage any positive developments, such as the release of prominent refuseniks, while not allowing ourselves to be blinded to the harsh realities for those who remain in the USSR. We will press for an increase in the number of people allowed to emigrate and be reunited with their families outside the Soviet Union. We will work hard with other nations at the CSCE to seek progress in all aspects of the Helsinki Final Act and the Madrid Concluding Document, including increased human contacts. In our continuing discussions with Soviet authorities, we will leave no doubt that there must be progress on human rights if our relations are to develop in a positive manner.

That is the responsibility of both individuals and government. It is one that we have freely and willingly undertaken, as the Soviet Union has freely and willingly undertaken to respect human rights by signing various international declarations, covenants and agreements and in its constitution. The difference between us is that we are committed to comply with our undertaking. We must do all that we can to make the Soviet Union comply with theirs.