The United Nations

As a founding member of the United Nations, Canada has always attached great importance to that organization. While the UN has not succeeded in assuring world security, still it continues, with its associated organizations, to serve as a useful instrument for settling many international problems of real concern to Canada.

During the past few years, the UN has grown more interested in economic matters. In UN debates the developing countries, which represent more than two-thirds of its membership, are demonstrating solidarity in their demands for the introduction of an international economic order which would be more advantageous to them. Canada, which acknowledges the necessity of bringing change to economic relations to reduce the disparities between rich and poor countries, has worked resolutely at this, participating in the international economic deliberations held in 1976 and 1977, as well as in multilateral forums such as the United Nations Con- 117

