

Another area of special interest to Canada has been the Sub-Commission's review on the independence of the judiciary. Of course, this topic that has also been the object of important work in other United Nations fora, and we would agree with suggestions that Mr. Singhvi's valuable study be referred to the Committee on crime prevention and the eighth United Nations crime congress for further consideration.

Mr. Chairman, reflecting upon the results of the fortieth session of the Sub-Commission, my delegation cannot but conclude that the progress achieved was not unrelated to broader political developments which have given rise to enhanced cooperation in many international fora. This is a trend that this Commission should unequivocally welcome and encourage. At the same time it is, as I have noted, incumbent on the Commission to continue providing guidance that will enable the Sub-Commission to adapt its agenda and methods to the constantly evolving requirements of our organization. Canada pledges its continuing support to this enterprise and looks forward to working with other delegations in this regard.