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from the older cultures of the East, and a very important part of UNESCO's work must lie in making this learning easier. It is a matter of sincere regret to us that UNESCO has not effected a better representation of the East in the senior positions of its Secretariat.

The occasion of this, the last report of the present Director-General, cannot be allowed to pass without expressing our appreciation for the vigorous and tireless efforts that Dr. Huxley has made to establish UNESCO on a firm foundation. The policy, established during his term, of stimulating non-governmental international organizations in the natural sciences, is one within which we hope his successor will find it possible to include these social sciences.

Reconstruction is a field of UNESCO's activity in which Canadians have tangibly expressed interest during the past year, by means of a campaign for funds conducted by the Canadian Council for Reconstruction through UNESCO, which yielded more than a million dollars. But we think the time may be approaching when to retain the sharp distinction between reconstruction and other constructive effort will be a handicap to the general programme.

Further comment we might make, were we not reminded of the wise words of "This Man from Lebanon", Kahlil Gibran:

"You talk when you cease to be at peace with your thoughts;....."

"And in much of your talking, thinking is half murdered.

"For thought is a bird of space, that in a cage of words may indeed unfold its wings but cannot fly."

We shall desist from talk and put forth our best efforts on behalf of UNESCO's programme in the year that lies ahead.