

quality of life, we find that we are the gainers, as more and more of our people are exposed to the ancient civilizations and profound philosophies of the countries of Africa and Asia, as more and more students and immigrants from these countries make their contribution to our national life, our own life and our own society are enriched.

Canada's development program in the past, starting with the Colombo Plan in 1950, has reflected our long-time associations in the Commonwealth. From ex-colonies in Asia and Africa our development program has spread to the former British possessions in the Caribbean. The renaissance of French Canada has extended our aid program to the former French colonies of Africa. As the Government has announced in the foreign policy papers, more of our effort and resources are to be directed toward the Pacific countries and toward Latin America. This will mean stepped-up aid and investment in the Pacific. In Latin America, where we have had a modest development program of a multilateral kind for some years, we are contemplating extended aid to the countries we can best help.

In all our relations with the countries of the Third World, development assistance is the largest single element. This is as it should be; Canada has no political ambitions in the Third World, save to contribute what we can to strengthen their economies, to help them bring an increasing measure of social justice to their peoples and to share with them man's great task - to enhance the quality of life on earth.

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