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Dear Sen. Roche:

Re: William Epstein Oral History Interview: UN & Middle East

It is a pleasure and honour to present to you and the Government of Canada, on behalf of my family, the enclosed transcript of my father's Yale-UN Oral History Project interview from 1990.

The interview concerns Dad's involvement with the Middle East in 1948 and the Suez crisis of 1956. Several other Canadians are mentioned, especially Mike Pearson and Gen. Burns. This interview is a previously unavailable historical document about Canadians on the world stage.

Dad never got the chance to write this history, so this transcript presents, in his typically colourful and direct language, a unique and original portrait of these events. As executor of Dad's estate, I worked with Yale University to edit the transcript for release. It has now been placed in the UN Library for public use.

Best wishes,

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