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Canada and Security Challenges Note from the "Retreat" with Minister Graham

On Friday, September 6, 2002, at the request of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Canadian Centre for Foreign Policy Development brought together a group of thinkers to examine Canada and security challenges. The meeting took place under Chatham House rules. Participants included: John Macfarlane (Co-Director of the Program on International Security Policy at the University of Toronto), Andrew Ross (Director of the Program on International Security at the Liu Centre for the Study of Global Issues at the University of Toronto), Nephise Roussel (Université du Québec à Montréal), Lester B. Pearson Peace Centre (New Brunswick at Saint John), Wesley Wall (Royal Military College), Christian Leuprecht (Royal Military College), Barbara Aronell (University of British Columbia), Robert Ross (Centre for Military and Strategic Studies, University of Calgary), University of Toronto), Marcus Gee (The Globe and Mail), and Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations). The meeting was moderated by Don Costello (Executive Assistant), Robert Fry (Public Policy Advisor), Roger Gendron (Senior Departmental Assistant), and Sharon Christie (Policy Advisor). Responding to the Minister's wish to have a small group of 'outside' thinkers, participants were invited to discuss:

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The objective of the discussion was to stimulate the Minister's thinking, expose him to outside views, and create an opportunity for intellectual exchange. The discussion aimed to explore a broad range of security concerns, focusing only on military and intelligence matters since September 11, 2001, the "war on terror" has dominated international affairs, including the OS meeting. In the context of the "war on terror," the challenge for Canada is to identify appropriate responses to the threat of terrorism, and to work to achieve human rights goals. Participants discussed the following questions:

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