mitment we are prepared to give to its continuity, and in whether concrete adjustments will be made in our national policies. We should not look for a miracle at Madrid to relieve us of the responsibilities of proper performance between now and then.

Some undoubtedly feel frustrated and disappointed by the concrete achievements to date.

I would ask them whether, a decade ago, they would even have envisaged that meetings such as this would ever have taken place.

Can anyone have doubts as to the value of nations of differing ideologies sitting down together and freely and frankly discussing their mutual concerns?

It is a significant and positive step forward. As long as this process of dialogue continues, we need not be discouraged.