

heard some extremely useful suggestions today. But one of the first I believe, to pick up a point of John Holmes, and perhaps even of Eugene Rostow, a point I make frequently, is that we have to try and strengthen the UN institutions, not reform them, but strengthen them, and that includes talking back when we hear denigration of the UN. In many ways we can do this constructively without giving offence. I'm one of those who hopes that there will be an important Canadian policy statement on that subject, either domestically or in the UN, or both. Its essential to defend and strengthen the UN because otherwise, to put it in my own words, I fear the UN could go the way of the League.

Secondly, to go the other extreme in a sense, turning to technical input by Canada, a point made by Professor Tucker, I think it is an area where we've traditionally made that very kind of special input of expertise which relatively few other countries seem to be able to do or prepared to do. Anywhere where we can do it more we should be doing it. We are, already, of course doing a good deal on seismics and chemical weapons and elsewhere and I heartily endorse that suggestion. On the "walk in the woods" idea, it's interesting, and I hope there is some way we could try and find out from both sides whether its still a possibility. We have to bear in mind, however, that vis à vis at least a segment of the Canadian public, it includes the deployment of Cruises. The negotiators didn't seem to worry about the Cruise, because, of course, they don't regard it as a first strike weapon, but nevertheless the acceptance of Cruise development would be one of the disadvantages of the "walk in the woods" approach from the point of view of one segment of the Canadian public.

Another issue that will eventually arise, I feel certain, is the merging of INF and START. It may be the only way of handling this question of the UK and French independent deterrent, because its possible to see both sides of the coin, to see both points of view. From the Russian point of view, if they can't add up everything threatening them by everybody then they're not protecting