

We have as our own national objective the complete elimination of controlled CFC's within the next ten years. We will work to ensure the Declaration of the Hague Summit on Global Warming gives impetus to developing a framework of legal instruments for protecting the atmosphere. An acid rain treaty is the top priority in our bilateral relationship with the USA, and the environment is an area where we can cooperate profitably with the Soviet Union.

Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, foreign policy inevitably has much to do with self-interest. In Canada it traditionally also has much to do with altruism. The world has come to expect a great deal of us, and Canadians expect the Government to deliver. In a period of very scarce resources we will not always be able to do as much as we would like, or others expect. But we will do the important things, the things that will strengthen our own society here at home and that make a difference to the kind of world we live in. To do anything less would be to betray our most basic traditions. I hope you and all Canadians will work with us.

Thank you.