



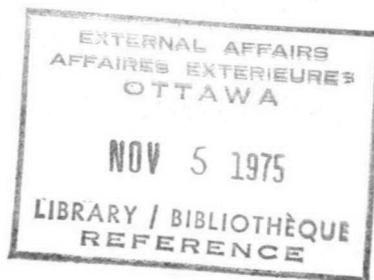
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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
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DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
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At the invitation of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Polish People's Republic, His Excellency Stefan Olszowski, the Secretary of State for External Affairs of Canada, the Honourable Allan J. MacEachen, paid an official visit to Poland from September 29 to October 4, 1975.

During his visit Mr. MacEachen was received by the First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Polish United Workers' Party, Mr. Edward Gierek, the Chairman of the Council of State, Mr. Henryk Jablonski and by the Chairman of the Council of Ministers, Mr. Piotr Jaroszewicz.

During his stay in Warsaw, External Affairs Minister MacEachen laid a wreath at the tomb of the unknown soldier and was shown the progress made in the reconstruction and development of Poland's capital. Mr. MacEachen also visited Gdansk, Krakow and Katowice, acquainting himself with the history, monuments of the past, and with the present development of these regions.

Mr. MacEachen went to the site of the Nazi concentration camp at Oswiecim (Auschwitz), where he paid tribute to the memory of those who perished there, by laying a wreath at the International Monument.

The Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Canada and Poland reviewed the present state of Canadian-Polish relations and discussed areas where opportunities lay for their further development. They also discussed international questions of interest to both sides.

On the Canadian side the plenary talks were attended by the Honourable Allan J. MacEachen, the Secretary of State for External Affairs; Mr. A.F. Hart, Canadian Ambassador to Poland; Mr. E.P. Black, Director General, Bureau of European Affairs; Mr. C.F.W. Hooper, Director of Eastern European Division of the Department of External Affairs and other officials.

On the Polish side they were attended by His Excellency, Stefan Olszowski, Minister of Foreign Affairs; Mr. Romuald Spasowski, Under-Secretary of State,

Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Mr. Stanislaw Dlugosz, Under-Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Trade and Maritime Economy; Dr. Romuald Pietraszek, Under-Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Trade and Maritime Economy; Mr. Jozef Czesak, Ambassador of the Polish People's Republic to Canada; Mr. Jan Kinast, Director of Department III, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and other officials.

The talks and meetings were held in a friendly, businesslike, and constructive atmosphere and were characterized by a desire for better mutual understanding and for broadening and deepening Canadian-Polish relations.

I

Both Ministers made a comprehensive review of bilateral relations between the two countries and expressed satisfaction over their steady development in recent years. They agreed that there existed possibilities for further substantial growth of Canadian-Polish cooperation and reaffirmed their determination to work toward achieving this objective. The two sides further expressed their determination to promote long-term and mutually beneficial cooperation between their states on the basis of full equality and mutual respect.

The two Ministers noted that any questions which might arise in bilateral relations between Canada and Poland could be solved in the interests of both countries through their joint efforts. Traditional ties of friendship between the two nations are reinforced by the existence of Canadians of Polish origin who create a bridge that has great importance for mutual relations.

Both Ministers noted the important role which visits, contacts and consultations held at various levels have played in the development of friendly relations and cooperation between Canada and Poland. They agreed that consultations between them or their representatives should be held regularly at an appropriate level.

The two Ministers also confirmed their support for efforts aimed at developing mutually beneficial cooperation in the economic field, in science, technology, culture and other spheres, and noted with satisfaction the ongoing cooperation in many areas, and agreed to consider further ways to foster such cooperation.

The Ministers were pleased to note the increasing frequency in trade exchanges between the two countries. They noted the fourfold increase in overall trade in the last four years, and agreed that further efforts should be made to take advantage of all existing possibilities to augment the volume of trade and to diversify its structure.

They stressed that the periodic consultations between the Foreign Trade Ministries of the two countries contributed considerably to the development of trade and economic cooperation between Canada and Poland.

Guided by their desire for broadening and accelerating trade relations between the two countries, the two Ministers agreed that the establishment of a Joint Canadian-Polish Commission on Trade will be considered.

Emphasizing the role of industrial cooperation for the economic collaboration between Canada and Poland, both Ministers agreed to lend their support to efforts aimed at the further expansion of contacts and cooperation between firms and enterprises of the two countries. They noted that the provision of favourable financing would facilitate bilateral trade exchanges and industrial cooperation.

Both Ministers agreed that the establishment of regular air connections between Canada and Poland would be desirable. The Ministers expressed the hope that talks starting December 1 would result in the signing of an intergovernmental agreement and in the early establishment of regular air services between the two countries.

The two Ministers attached great importance to future cooperation in the field of fisheries. They expressed their satisfaction over the fact that officials

of their two countries would meet at an early date in order to consider the elaboration of a bilateral agreement on fisheries cooperation that would establish the terms and conditions governing continued fishing by the Polish fleet in waters off Canada's coasts, in accordance with the Joint Communiqué issued in Ottawa on September 19, 1975.

The Ministers expressed their satisfaction over the development of cultural cooperation. They considered possibilities for its further expansion by promoting mutual access to science, literature, music and other fields of arts. They agreed that cultural cooperation and dissemination of information play an important part in promoting understanding and friendship among nations.

In order to strengthen further contacts between the people of Canada and the people of Poland, both sides agreed to encourage development of tourism, contacts and cooperation between civic, scientific, sports and youth organizations, to facilitate wider travel by their citizens for personal and professional reasons and to support the extension of exchanges and cooperation between the mass media of the two countries.

Both Ministers pointed to the role played by scientific and technical cooperation in the development of relations between Canada and Poland; they expressed gratification at the existing level of contacts, and they agreed to explore specific proposals which might arise in this area. They agreed to encourage and promote further cooperation and contacts between scientific institutions, universities, and research institutes as well as between individual scientists.

The two Ministers agreed, that the development of relations between Canada and Poland in all fields, followed by growing movement of people between both countries, would be greatly facilitated by the conclusion of a consular convention. Discussions to this end have been initiated and detailed negotiations will begin at the end of this year.

The two Ministers recognized the importance of solving humanitarian problems affecting citizens of the two countries.

They agreed to consider what further facilities in visa procedures would be desirable.

## II

Both Ministers conducted a broad exchange of views on current international questions. They were in agreement that the increase of cooperation between states, irrespective of their economic, social and political systems, would contribute to the creation of an atmosphere of confidence and mutual understanding and to the consolidation of peace and security in the world.

The Ministers emphasized the historic significance of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, the third stage of which was successfully concluded in Helsinki. They considered it an essential stage in the process of strengthening détente in both Europe and in the world. Both sides agreed that full implementation of the principles and the provisions of the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe would be in the interests of all countries participating in the Conference and should contribute to peace, security and cooperation in Europe and all over the world. It was hoped that these encouraging developments would make it easier to seek solutions to other pressing world problems including especially the needs and aspirations of the developing countries.

The Ministers resolved to strengthen the relations and cooperation between Canada and Poland in conformity with the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Both Ministers agreed that their countries would continue efforts aimed at making détente both a continuing and an increasingly viable and comprehensive process, and universal in scope.

Both Ministers were convinced that the process of political détente in Europe had to be accompanied by a similar process in the military sphere. In this respect

they stressed the importance of the negotiations being conducted in Vienna on mutual reductions of armed forces and armaments in Central Europe and associated measures. They expressed their will to achieve an agreement based on the principle of undiminished security of all the countries concerned.

Both sides agreed that their representatives would continue in the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament and other appropriate forums, to contribute to efforts to achieve general and complete disarmament under strict and effective international control, including both nuclear and conventional weapons. Both Ministers reaffirmed their desire to see a halt to all nuclear weapons testing, an end to the nuclear arms race, and steps of nuclear disarmament at the earliest possible date. They emphasized the vital role of the Non-Proliferation Treaty in international efforts to prevent the further spread of nuclear weapons and to facilitate wider cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy. Both Ministers stressed the need for all countries to adhere to the Non-Proliferation Treaty and for all parties to the Treaty, to meet fully their obligation under the Treaty.

They are convinced that further limitation of strategic armaments would help in creating an atmosphere of confidence in the world and would have a favourable influence on the efforts aimed at arresting the armaments race.

The two Ministers agreed that the establishment of a lasting and just peace in the Middle East could only be achieved on the basis of a consistent fulfilment, by all sides, of the appropriate Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council.

They exchanged views on the developments in the region and expressed conviction that negotiations involving all interested parties, including the representatives of the Palestinian people, and embracing all issues involved, should take place as soon as possible, with the object of achieving a just and lasting settlement, that would permit all peoples in the Middle East to live in peace and security.

The Ministers expressed their conviction that the participation of the Polish and Canadian units in the United Nations Emergency Forces in the Middle East is an important contribution of both countries to the implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations Security Council on the Middle East. The close and friendly cooperation of the Canadian and Polish contingents in the United Nations Emergency Forces was noted.

Both Ministers reaffirmed their support for the United Nations which they consider as an important instrument in maintaining world peace and security and in achieving and promoting international cooperation. They were resolved to continue the cooperation of the two countries in the various organizations of the United Nations and in other international organizations.

The two Ministers reviewed the results of the Seventh Special Session of the United Nations. They expressed the conviction that the fulfilment of the Resolution adopted at that Session would enhance the progress of international economic cooperation and development in the interests of all countries and peoples.

The two Ministers underlined the need for finding solutions to world economic problems, including especially those of the developing countries. They agreed that intensive efforts were required to develop new mechanisms in international economic relations and that urgent attention should be given to international measures dealing with commodity problems and trade liberalization. They agreed to cooperate to this end in such international forums as the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, the Economic Commission for Europe and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development.

The Secretary of State for External Affairs of Canada, the Honourable Allan J. MacEachen, expressed his gratitude for the warm hospitality he had enjoyed during his visit to Poland, and his satisfaction with his many productive contacts with Polish leaders. Mr. MacEachen extended an invitation to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland, Mr. Stefan Olszowski, to visit Canada at a mutually convenient time. The invitation was gratefully accepted.