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NOTES FOR A SPEECH BY THE
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, THE RIGHT
HONOURABLE JOE CLARK, TO THE
ASEAN POST MINISTERIAL
CONFERENCE SIX PLUS SIX*
MEETING.

*MEETING WITH SIX ASEAN
FOREIGN MINISTERS AND THE SIX
FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE
DIALOGUE PARTNERS.

MANILA, THE PHILIPPINES
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MR. CHAIRMAN,

I HAVE JUST COME FROM DUNMANUS BAY IN IRELAND, WHERE, ON A PROMONTORY OF LAND WHOSE GAELIC NAME MEANS THE PENINSULA OF THE DEAD, FAMILIES AND AUTHORITIES FROM IRELAND, INDIA AND CANADA DEDICATED A MEMORIAL TO THE 329 PASSENGERS AND CREW WHO DIED IN THE EXPLOSION OF AIR INDIA FLIGHT 182. AS WE DISCUSSED LAST YEAR, TERRORISTS RESPECT NEITHER INNOCENCE NOR LAW, AND CIVILIZED NATIONS MUST CONTINUE OUR WORK TOGETHER TO ADDRESS THE CAUSES OF TERRORISM, AND BRING ITS PERPETRATORS TO JUSTICE. CANADA WILL CONTINUE IN THAT SPIRIT AND, DURING THESE MEETINGS I WANT TO CIRCULATE, FOR YOUR LATER COMMENT, A DRAFT TREATY ON AIRPORT SECURITY AND PROTECTION WHICH WE INTEND TO SUBMIT IN THE FALL TO THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION.

MR. CHAIRMAN, I WAS HEARTENED THAT THE FIRST JOINT DECLARATION OF YOUR 19TH ANNUAL MEETING EARLIER THIS WEEK CONCERNED SOUTHERN AFRICA. THE RECENT COMMONWEALTH REPORT CONFIRMS THAT THOUSANDS OF LIVES WILL BE LOST UNLESS THE GOVERNMENT IN PRETORIA BEGINS SERIOUSLY TO MOVE AWAY FROM APARTHEID. I WANT TO READ INTO THE RECORD ONE CONCLUSION OF THAT COMMONWEALTH REPORT:

"WE ARE CONVINCED THAT THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE ADOPTION OF EFFECTIVE ECONOMIC MEASURES AGAINST IT. IF IT COMES TO THE CONCLUSION THAT IT WOULD ALWAYS REMAIN PROTECTED FROM SUCH MEASURES, THE PROCESS OF CHANGE IS UNLIKELY TO INCREASE IN MOMENTUM AND THE DESCENT INTO VIOLENCE WOULD BE ACCELERATED. IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE COST IN LIVES WOULD HAVE TO BE COUNTED IN MILLIONS."

CANADA BELIEVES WE MUST MAINTAIN A STEADY, BUILDING, PRESSURE AGAINST APARTHEID, ENLISTING ACTION BY ALL NATIONS, AND WE WELCOME THE COMMITMENT REFLECTED IN THE ASEAN DECLARATION. I HOLD THE VIEW THAT DEVELOPMENTS IN THAT REGION, AND SPECIFICALLY IN SOUTH AFRICA, ARE MORE AND MORE GOING TO HAVE AN IMPACT ON OUR COUNTRIES - AS MEMBERS OF THE COMMONWEALTH, WHICH SOME OF YOU ARE, OR THE NON-ALIGNMENT MOVEMENT, OR THE ORGANIZATION OF ISLAMIC CONFERENCE. WE IN CANADA HAVE SPOKEN OUT STRONGLY ON THIS MATTER AND HAVE INITIATED A SERIES OF STEPS TO MAKE ABUNDANTLY CLEAR THAT THE RACIST REGIME WHICH EXISTS IN SOUTH AFRICA CANNOT BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE. I AM HOPEFUL THAT OTHER COUNTRIES WILL AGREE. IT IS IN OUR LONG-TERM INTERESTS TO DEVELOP JOINT ACTIONS THAT WILL SEND A STRONG AND UNAMBIGUOUS MESSAGE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH AFRICA THAT ITS POLICIES AND ACTIONS MUST CHANGE.

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IN THIS REGION, CANADA REMAINS DEEPLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE CONTINUED STALEMATE IN CAMBODIA, WHILE THE MAIN BENEFICIARIES ARE THE USSR, WHOSE INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL AMBITIONS ARE WELL KNOWN, AND VIETNAM ITSELF. WE DEEPLY APPRECIATE ASEAN EFFORTS TO REACH AN EQUITABLE AND PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT, AND PLEDGE YOU OUR UNWAVERING SUPPORT. CANADA AGAIN, THIS YEAR, CO-SPONSORED THE UN RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL FOREIGN FORCES FROM CAMBODIA, AND FOR A COMPREHENSIVE POLITICAL SETTLEMENT. THE COALITION GOVERNMENT'S EIGHT-POINT PEACE PLAN MADE PROPOSALS WHICH MERIT SERIOUS CONSIDERATION. I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING YOUR CURRENT THINKING ON NEW INITIATIVES WHICH MIGHT BE DEVELOPED TO MOVE VIETNAM FROM ITS INFLEXIBLE POSITION ON CAMBODIA.

CANADA, FOR THE THIRD YEAR, WILL SUPPORT YOUR REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE TO THE COALITION GOVERNMENT OF DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA (CGDK). WE WILL PROVIDE A GRANT OF \$40,000 FOR DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO THE NON-COMMUNIST ELEMENTS OF THE CGDK.

WE ARE HIGHLY CONSCIOUS OF THE FACT THAT THIS CONFLICT HAS WROUGHT CONSIDERABLE HARDSHIP ON THE PEOPLE LIVING ALONG THE THAI-CAMBODIA BORDER. I VISITED THE AREA A YEAR AGO, AND WAS IMPRESSED BY THEIR COURAGE, DETERMINATION AND HOPE. CANADA HAS CONTRIBUTED OVER \$32 MILLION TO PROVIDE MEANINGFUL SUPPORT TO CAMBODIAN AND THAI CIVILIANS IN THE BORDER REGION THAT LEVEL OF SUPPORT WILL CONTINUE. WE WILL ALSO CONTINUE TO DO OUR SHARE IN TAKING REFUGEES FROM THE REGION, MANY OF WHOM HAVE SOUGHT FIRST ASYLUM IN ASEAN COUNTRIES. . . /4

CANADA REITERATES OUR PLEDGE NOT TO PROVIDE DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO VIETNAM WHILE THAT COUNTRY CONTINUES ITS AGGRESSION IN CAMBODIA. IF VIETNAM WERE TO WITHDRAW ITS TROOPS FROM CAMBODIA AND SHOW SIGNS OF ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTING TO PEACE AND SECURITY IN THE REGION, CANADA WOULD BE READY TO RECONSIDER ITS DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE POLICY. PERHAPS, AS PART OF THE SEARCH FOR PEACEFUL COOPERATION, THE PROSPECT OF SIGNIFICANT FOREIGN AID IN RETURN FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM CAMBODIA COULD FACILITATE A BREAKTHROUGH.

LET ME SPEAK BRIEFLY OF THE TOKYO SUMMIT, WHICH WAS ONE OF THE MORE PRODUCTIVE SINCE THESE MEETINGS BEGAN. CANADA WAS PARTICULARLY PLEASED BY THE SUPPORT OF THE NEED FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY COORDINATION, A RENEWAL OF OUR COMMON DETERMINATION TO RESIST PROTECTIONISM, THE AGREEMENT ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE NEW TRADE ROUND, THE NEED FOR AN ADEQUATE REPLENISHMENT OF WORLD BANK RESOURCES, AND THE EXPLICIT RECOGNITION - FOR THE FIRST TIME AT THESE SUMMITS - OF THE PROBLEMS CAUSED BY AGRICULTURAL SUBSIDIES.

THE AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH A G-7 WAS A SIGNIFICANT STEP FORWARD IN ENSURING IMPROVED INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY COORDINATION. THE NEED TO IMPROVE POLICY COORDINATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY SYSTEM WAS A MAJOR POINT OF THE ASEAN MEMORANDUM TO SUMMIT LEADERS. WE BELIEVE THIS COORDINATION OF POLICIES WILL IMPROVE ECONOMIC PROSPECTS GENERALLY, INCLUDING THOSE IN ASEAN.

ON INTERNATIONAL DEBT, PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN DEVELOPING A COOPERATIVE DEBT STRATEGY, BUILDING ON THE AMERICAN INITIATIVE. WE APPRECIATE THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF THAT STRATEGY IN THE ASEAN MEMORANDUM. HOWEVER, MUCH REMAINS TO BE DONE, AND WE HOPE TO SEE FURTHER PROGRESS IN THE COMING MONTHS.

WE RECOGNIZED IN TOKYO THE IMPORTANCE OF INCREASED FINANCIAL FLOWS TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, FROM BOTH PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SOURCES. CANADA ARGUED STRONGLY FOR A SUBSTANTIAL EIGHTH REPLENISHMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION. WE ARE COMMITTED TO A FIGURE OF US\$12 BILLION FOR IDA VIII, AND WE SUPPORT A GENERAL CAPITAL INCREASE FOR THE WORLD BANK ITSELF, WHEN IT BECOMES NECESSARY TO AUGMENT ITS RESOURCES.

THE EARLY LAUNCH OF A NEW TRADE ROUND WILL ENABLE US TO GET ON WITH FURTHER TRADE LIBERALIZATION AND THE STRENGTHENING OF THE MULTILATERAL TRADING SYSTEM WHILE HELPING US TO CONTAIN PROTECTIONIST PRESSURES AT HOME. ALL OF US MUST TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE POWERFUL PROTECTIONIST PRESSURES GROWING IN THE UNITED STATES. THE TRADE DISPUTE BETWEEN THE USA AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY IS OMINOUS FOR US ALL. THE JAPANESE TRADE SURPLUS REMAINS ONE OF THE GLOBAL ECONOMY'S MAJOR IMBALANCES AND SERVES TO ENCOURAGE PROTECTIONISM ELSEWHERE. WE THEREFORE WELCOME THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT'S COMMITMENT TO ONGOING TRADE LIBERALIZATION. IN CANADA'S VIEW, THE PROMPT LAUNCHING OF THE MTN WITH A BALANCED AGENDA IS ESSENTIAL TO CONTAIN PROTECTIONIST

PRESSURES WHILE WE WORK TOGETHER TOWARDS FREER TRADE AND THE STIMULUS IT CAN PROVIDE TO ECONOMIC GROWTH. THE NEW TRADE ROUND MUST BE PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE TO THE NEEDS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES LIKE THE MEMBERS OF ASEAN. AS WE SEE IT, A PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE TO INTEGRATE THE DEVELOPING WORLD MORE EFFECTIVELY INTO THE GATT SYSTEM.

CANADA BELIEVES IT IMPORTANT TO BEGIN THE PROCESS OF BRINGING SOME MEASURES OF MULTILATERAL DISCIPLINE TO INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN SERVICES. THIS IS BETTER THAN HAVING THE LARGEST ECONOMIES APPLY UNILATERAL RULES. OF COURSE, COMPLEX NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE INVOLVED AND WILL TAKE SOME TIME. HOWEVER, THE PROCESS MUST BEGIN AND CANADA BELIEVES THAT IT IS ONE OF THE MORE IMPORTANT SUBJECTS FOR THE NEXT MTN ROUND.

WE ALSO BELIEVE THAT THE ROUND MUST BE STRUCTURED TO ADDRESS THE SO-CALLED TRADITIONAL ISSUES, INCLUDING THOSE OF INTEREST TO ASEAN. IT IS NOT OUR WISH, NOR IS IT IN OUR INTEREST, TO NEGLECT ISSUES OF CONCERN TO OUR FRIENDS AND PARTNERS. THAT IS WHY IN OUR CONSULTATIONS WITH ASEAN OVER THE PAST YEAR, WE HAVE URGED THAT YOU ASSUME AN ACTIVE ROLE IN SHAPING THE NEGOTIATING AGENDA. IF WE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT, THE NEW ROUND CAN ADDRESS ALL SENSITIVE TRADE ISSUES.

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CANADA AND ASEAN HAVE ALREADY BEGUN TO IDENTIFY COMMON INTERESTS THAT WE SHOULD PURSUE TOGETHER IN THE NEXT ROUND. THEY INCLUDE IMPROVED DISCIPLINES ON THE USE OF COUNTERVAIL AND EMERGENCY SAFEGUARD MEASURES, THE STRENGTHENING OF THE GATT DISPUTE SETTLEMENT PROCEDURES, AND TRADE IN AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND OTHER RESOURCE PRODUCTS. THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR IN PARTICULAR MUST BE AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT OF THE NEGOTIATIONS. THE MTN WILL BE SERIOUSLY FLAWED UNLESS SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS IS MADE ON BRINGING AGRICULTURAL TRADE INTO THE GATT FOLD, ESPECIALLY WITH RESPECT TO ACHIEVING GREATER DISCIPLINE ON THE USE OF AGRICULTURAL SUBSIDIES. AT TOKYO PRIME MINISTER MULRONEY RAISED DIRECTLY THE QUESTION OF AGRICULTURAL SUBSIDY. THAT IS AN ACUTE CONCERN FOR CANADIAN GRAIN GROWERS AS IT IS FOR PRODUCERS OF RICE IN THAILAND. IN BOTH CASES THE EFFICIENCY OF OUR PRODUCERS IS NO MATCH FOR THE SUBSIDIES OF MORE POWERFUL SYSTEMS. WHEN THERE IS A TRADE WAR IN AGRICULTURE, EVERYONE LOSES. THE TOKYO SUMMIT AGREED TO SUPPORT AN OECD STUDY OF AGRICULTURAL SUBSIDY. HOWEVER, CANADA FEARS THAT STUDY WILL TAKE TOO LONG. WE NEED, URGENTLY, A SMALL TEAM OF INTERNATIONAL EXPERTS TO DEFINE THAT STANDARD. SOME ASEAN NATIONS MAY WANT TO SUPPORT SUCH AN URGENT EXPERTS' STUDY. IN THE SAME SPIRIT, WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN CONSIDERING PARTICIPATION IN THAILAND'S INITIATIVE TO CONVENE A MEETING OF "NON-SUBSIDIZED" AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS.

COOPERATION IN DRUG ABUSE

ANOTHER IMPORTANT ITEM ON OUR AGENDA IS INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION. NARCOTIC DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING ARE KILLERS IN ALL OUR COUNTRIES

NEXT MONTH, MY COLLEAGUE, THE SOLICITOR GENERAL OF CANADA, WILL VISIT A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION, INCLUDING MALAYSIA AND THAILAND, TO DISCUSS NARCOTICS IN ALL ITS MANIFESTATIONS - PRODUCTION, DISTRIBUTION, POLICE INTERDICTION, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC REHABILITATION - AND EFFORTS BEING UNDERTAKEN BY GOVERNMENTS TO STEM THE PROBLEM. WE WILL CONTINUE OUR PROGRAM OF POLICE COOPERATION WITH ASEAN COUNTRIES. THE CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY HAS AGREED TO FUND AN ASEAN-WIDE PROGRAM DIRECTED AT DRUG PREVENTION THROUGH EDUCATION. WE ARE COMMITTED TO HELPING IN CROP SUBSTITUTION.

INTERNATIONALLY, WE FIRMLY ENDORSE THE DRAFTING OF A NEW UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON DRUG TRAFFICKING AND WELCOME THE INITIATIVE OF THE UN SECRETARY-GENERAL IN CALLING A MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE IN 1987. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH INDONESIA, MALAYSIA, THAILAND, AUSTRALIA, JAPAN, AND THE UNITED STATES, AS CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS, TO ENSURE A SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME TO BOTH INITIATIVES.

THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN.