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LEANER & MEANER: Armed Forces in the Post-Gulf War Era

Changes in the Canadian Armed Forces

General A.J.G.D. de Chastelain

"One benefit of our participation in that war, and also in the unfortunate operation that took place here in Canada[Oka] shortly before the Gulf War, was that the public had a chance to see their armed forces in a way that they had not before. I think they were generally pleased and proud."

Police and Military Cooperation in Canada

Assistant Commissioner Mike Thivierge, RCMP

"Today it is no longer possible to live or work in isolation. The world we live in has truly become a global village. Often, events that occur thousands of miles away impact on us directly. This is also true for the law enforcement community."

The Future of Arms Control

Brigadier-General B.A. Goetze

"Because of its importance, many have assumed that arms control would be a growth industry until at least the end of the millennium. And yet, there are signs on the horizon that arms control as we have come to know it may not survive the upheavals of the late 1980's and early 1990's."

Progress in Making a TOTAL FORCE

Lieutenant-General J.C. Gervais

"There are a number of imperatives, led by the notion of Total Force, which together, if satisfied, will give the army a general purpose combat capability. This capability, in turn, will position the army to meet its objective which is, as stated, to be prepared for any contingency which may arise."

Can the United Nations Assume a Peacemaking Role?

L. Yves Fortier

"We are not only talking about an evolution in attitude, about an easier and more constructive dialogue among former adversaries; we are not only talking about increased co-operation and emergence of new prospects; we are talking about the rebirth of the United Nations, mirror of a new international society."

Canadian Defence Policy and the International Strategic Environment

Marcel Masse, Minister of National Defence

"On September 17th, 1991, I set forth a new defence policy. the policy statement basically described how our Armed Forces would fulfil Canada's traditional commitment to contribute to international peace and stability in a radically changed and still uncertain global environment."

1991 in Review

General A.J.G.D. de Chastelain

"The year began dramatically with Canadian troops joined in a multinational effort to force Iraqi troops from Kuwait. And with equal drama, the year closed on the Soviet Union disintegrating amid political revolution. International strife characterized 1991, but so did the quest for peace and security."

Strategic Planning and Other Reserve Issues

Major-General F.A.J. Mariage

"The staff efforts which culminated in the formation of our new defence policy and the ongoing rerolling, restructuring, equipping and facilities improvement program, as well as the adjustment of personnel policies and procedures to accommodate the reservists and their assignment to operational tasks in growing numbers have had a noticeable effect on the morale of the Reserves."