

*"If we are helping them to grow, they will buy more goods and more services from us. And we are the best country to benefit from Ukraine because we can offer a lot of Canadian experts who speak the Ukrainian language. We are probably the best country in the world to take advantage of the economic growth that will eventually come in Ukraine through the reforms of President Kuchma. If 53 million Ukrainians can become consumers, they will buy a lot of goods from Canada."*

*PM Jean Chretien, Press Conference on Parliament Hill, in response to why so much attention was being paid to Ukraine.*