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Subject: Paul Hellyer at UCC  
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FYI

>Paul Hellyer, at age 78, has written another book - this one entitled  
>Goodbye Canada. Mr. Hellyer, who many of you know as a former member of  
>parliament, former deputy prime minister, and current leader of the  
>Canadian Action Party will be speaking in Kamloops October 23rd, 2001. In  
>his book, Hellyer pleads for all concerned Canadians, who value their  
>independence, to form one progressive, nationalist party, and to work to  
>free Canada from the influences pulling her apart.

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>Free Public Lecture  
>Grand Hall, Campus Activity Centre  
>The University College of the cariboo  
>7:00 PM  
>Tuesday, October 23rd, 2001

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>Excerpts from Mr. Hellyer's speech "On Terrorism, Solutions and 'Goodbye  
>Canada'" to National Press Club Wednesday, October 3, 2001.

>The far more fundamental question is the extent of harmonization, and  
>general acceptance of U.S. laws and practices that we are going to accept.  
>Personally, I totally reject the concept of a common perimeter where U.S.  
>laws would apply. We should tighten up our borders and the Americans should  
>tighten up theirs. Polls suggesting that Canadians should go further, at  
>this stage, are understandable in the emotion of the moment but I suspect  
>that few of us have thought through the long term implications of such a  
>fundamental and probably irrevocable loss of sovereignty. Sovereignty,  
>which really means the right to have some control over our own destiny, is  
>the most important issue facing Canadians at this point in our history. The  
>question is whether we want to remain an independent country, and have some  
>control over our own affairs, or throw in the towel and join the United  
>States. That is the issue, and there is no point in pretending that it is  
>anything less than that...

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>We would become just a poor northern state, or states, with little if any  
>influence on our own or American affairs. The United States would be a  
>loser too, because, apart from the realization of its dream of manifest  
>destiny, it would no longer have an independent ally which could be useful  
>in various situations. We were of immense help when we sent troops to  
>Cyprus to prevent a war between two allies in a situation where American  
>troops would not have been welcome. Canadian assistance was also critical  
>in the escape of Americans from the embassy in Iran and in other situations  
>from time to time. The world is better off with an independent Canada that  
>can launch a project such as the land mines treaty, or a world court  
>without American approval...

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>For example, most Americans and many Canadians believe that the evil acts  
>of September 11th were totally unrelated to U.S. foreign policies since  
>World War II. They should apply for the Pollyanna of the year award.  
>Everything the United States does has consequences that are good or bad.  
>And that is the reason that they need friends to challenge their assumptions.