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( PRIME MINISTER )

EVENT: CEREMONY DECLARING THE HONOURABLE PRIME MINISTER MEXICO

VENUE: MEXICO CITY

DATE: 18 SEP 1991

TIME:

Senor Camacho Solis  
Regent of the Federal District of Mexico City;  
Senor Benjamin Hadding Galeana  
President of the First Assembly of Mexico City;  
Dr Teodoro Cesarman Vitis  
President of the City Council;  
Distinguished Guests;  
Ladies and Gentlemen;

I am very delighted to be here today in this great and historic city. I am deeply touched by the very warm hospitality and welcome that has been extended to me and my delegation by Your Excellency and the wonderful people of Mexico City.

I feel very privileged to be made a special guest of this great city and I thank Your Excellency for the great honour you have bestowed upon me.

You are quite right in pointing out that both our countries share many similarities. We must now build upon these shared characteristics to develop closer economic cooperation between our two countries. President Salinas and I have agreed to make this our common objective. We can all look forward therefore to a closer and mutually beneficial relationship.

Once again, may I thank you for welcoming me to your great city and for honouring me in this very special way.