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CANADA ANNOUNCES AN INCREASE
IN ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE
INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR UNIVERSITY CO-OPERATION (FICU)

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Mark MacGuigan, announced today that the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) will increase by \$100,000 its annual subsidy to the International Fund for University Co-operation (FICU), bringing to a total of \$650,000 the Canadian contribution for the 1982-83 fiscal year.

FICU is managed by the Association of Partly or Wholly French-speaking Universities (AUPELF). The purpose of this special private fund is to promote activities of co-operation and development among AUPELF member universities, without taking the place of bilateral forms of aid. The FICU Management Committee is presently holding its annual meetings in Montreal.

Created in 1961 in Montreal on the initiative of a group of Canadian academics, AUPELF will be holding its triennial general assembly at Laval University from September 7 to 11, thus marking its 20th anniversary. The new board of directors which will be elected on this occasion will meet at the University of Ottawa on September 14 and 15.