- training Journalists: Canada is well-placed to promote capacity building in the craft of journalism with its tradition of both public and private broadcasting,
- distinguishing between state and public broadcasters: again, with the experience of the CBC/Radio Canada, Canadians understand and embrace the crucial distinctions between a state and a public broadcaster, and can effectively convey this abroad.

Other areas for Canadian involvement include:

- training in human rights and free expression,
- protecting free expression during elections,
- promoting national sources of news and information.

These views are informing the 1997 National Forum and have been discussed at follow-up roundtables at the Department and in the community.

## Indigenous Heritage Rights and APEC

The "Roundtable on Indigenous Heritage Rights and APEC" was held at the University of Saskatchewan in April 1997. Participants included Canadian indigenous leaders, academics and experts. Some key recommendations include:

- launching work on a NAFTA-style "side agreement" on environmental issues that explicitly provides for the participation of Indigenous Peoples,
- development of provisions in the APEC process on intellectual property rights for the protection of indigenous heritage,
- broad and effective inclusion of Indigenous Peoples in the APEC process, including in official delegations,
- better information for Indigenous Peoples on APEC.

These views are informing the 1997 National Forum including more participation of Indigenous Peoples.

## **Projects by Policy Area Interest**



