

needs of the poor. Training to ensure awareness of, and sensitivity to, human rights issues in the context of international development will be provided to Canadian officials with responsibility for managing the Canadian development cooperation program overseas.

Canada endeavors to ensure that human rights issues are given due consideration in the activities of the international financial institutions. Canada will encourage greater scrutiny of the human rights situation in the preparation of country strategies, and through support for projects which will assist disadvantaged groups.

In Canada's International Relations, the Government indicated its intention to establish an International Institute for Human Rights and Democratic Development. The report of the special rapporteurs appointed earlier this year to advise on the structure and mandate of such an institute has recently been completed. The Government's response to this report will follow shortly.