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- Transport Canada, under a Declaration of Intent on Technical Cooperation in Transportation signed with the South African Department of Transport, is providing technical assistance to South Africa in a number of areas related to the transportation sector, opening up business opportunities for Canadian companies.

Canada's Market Access Priorities for 2002

- Continue to press the South African authorities to clarify and streamline the rules applicable to exchange controls affecting potential mergers between South African and Canadian firms.
- Ensure full clarity on offset requirements (both military and civilian) on large procurement contracts, which have in the recent past created transparency problems.
- Monitor Canada's competitiveness in South Africa in light of the recent South Africa/EU Free Trade Agreement, South Africa/Mercosur Free Trade Agreement, and pending free trade agreement with India.
- Monitor proposed amendments to South African mining legislation to ensure that the interests of Canadian investors are protected.