

development assistance programme for that area broadly into line with its programmes for other areas in which Canada is working through both multilateral and bilateral channels.

On the above basis, Canadian development assistance to Latin America will increase and expand in the following ways, which, taken together, will in absolute terms more than double the present allocation of development assistance to Latin America and in relative terms somewhat increase the proportion of Canada's development assistance directed to that area:

- a) The present annual contribution to the Inter-American Development Bank will be continued, and may be increased if mutually agreeable arrangements can be negotiated with the Bank—for example, with respect to procurement and simplification of the administration of the Canadian credit.
- b) A bilateral technical assistance programme will be initiated.
- c) Support for Canadian private agencies providing development assistance to Latin America will be increased.
- d) Other ways of encouraging the private sector to participate in Latin American development will be sought.
- e) Careful consideration will be given to ways in which Canada could directly assist development assistance or development research through multilateral bodies such as the ECLA.

If the International Development Research Centre devotes attention to Latin American problems, this will add an important new dimension to Canada's relationship with Latin America in the development assistance field.

#### *Multilateral Institutions*

Canada will continue and intensify its participation in the work of the multilateral bodies mentioned on Page 15 and will also seek full membership in the following additional organizations:

- Pan-American Health Organization (PAHO)
- Inter-American Institute of Agricultural Sciences (IAIAS)
- Inter-American Indian Institute (IAII)
- Inter-American Conference on Social Security (CISS)

Canada will also contribute to the Inter-American Emergency Assistance Fund (FIASE).

#### *Trade*

While the private sector is central in the conduct of Canada's trade, carefully-considered measures on the part of the Government may also be