

2 - DECLARATION OF OBJECTIVES

A) THE POLITICAL RELATIONSHIP

- **THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF CANADA AND MEXICO HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED, BY THEIR RESPECTIVE HEADS OF GOVERNMENT, TO MANAGE THE OVERALL BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP. THE PRINCIPAL VEHICLE FOR MANAGING THE RELATIONSHIP WILL CONTINUE TO BE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE JOINT MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE (JMC).**
 - FUTURE JMC'S WILL FOCUS EXPLICITLY ON THE EMERGING PRIORITIES FOR THE BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP;**
 - CANADA AND MEXICO MAY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF JMC'S TO PROMOTE PARTICULAR AREAS OF THE RELATIONSHIP: INDIVIDUAL TRADE SECTORS, CULTURE ETC.**
 - FUTURE JMC'S WILL PERIODICALLY BE HELD OUTSIDE CAPITAL CITIES.**
- **IN MULTILATERAL FORA AND ORGANISATIONS (UN, OAS, NAFTA, OECD, APEC, WTO ETC) AREAS OF MUTUAL INTEREST WILL BE IDENTIFIED BY MEANS OF REGULAR BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS, WITH A VIEW TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF JOINT STRATEGIES.**
- **THE CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND THE MEXICAN SECRETARIAT OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS (SRE) WILL ESTABLISH A REGULAR POLICY DIALOGUE TO A) STRENGTHEN BILATERAL INSTITUTIONAL CO-OPERATION AND B) TO IDENTIFY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN WHICH COULD BE DELIVERED JOINTLY BY CIDA AND SRE.**
- **BOTH GOVERNMENTS WILL EXCHANGE OPINIONS REGARDING SECURITY ISSUES UNDER DISCUSSION IN MULTILATERAL FORA AND WILL CONSIDER OPTIONS FOR BILATERAL COOPERATION ON INITIATIVES TENDING TO STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL SECURITY.**
- **CANADA AND MEXICO WILL WORK AS PARTNERS TO PROMOTE THE GOAL OF THE GLOBAL ELIMINATION OF ANTI PERSONNEL LAND MINES AND TO UNDERTAKE PRACTICAL STEPS TO THIS END WITHIN THE HEMISPHERE.**