

growing needs of the front-line states arising from South Africa's policies of destabilization in the region. For its part Canada has pledged \$20 million towards rebuilding the vital Limpopo railway line.

The Commonwealth again called on South Africa to immediately and unconditionally grant Namibia its independence and reaffirmed that Commonwealth actions with respect to South Africa are directed equally towards inducing that country to end its illegal occupation of Namibia.

To give impetus to decisions reached on measures to fight apartheid, Heads of Government established a Committee of Foreign Ministers for Australia, Canada, Guyana, India, Nigeria, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe. Under the chairmanship of the Right Honourable Joe Clark, Secretary of State for External Affairs of Canada, the Committee first met at the beginning of this month in Lusaka, Zambia.

The Committee looked at means to make existing sanctions more effective, including an examination of the ways in which sanctions have been frustrated. To this end the Committee set in train two major studies to bring to light new patterns of trade, new practices of accounting, and new routings of shipments. Concerned also by the uneven implementation of the mandatory UN embargo on arms exports to South Africa, the Committee will be seeking hard evidence and considering specific action to ensure that the embargo is respected. Also discussed was the compelling need to combat South Africa's powerful weapons of censorship and propaganda. The Committee will endeavour to ensure the continuing effectiveness of Commonwealth action with respect to Southern Africa until the next Heads of Government meeting in 1989 in Kuala Lumpur.

The Commonwealth and its Committee complement the work that other countries and organizations -- the UN in particular -- are doing in the battle against apartheid. Apartheid will be defeated -- the challenge is to ensure that this happens as quickly and peacefully as possible.

The work of the Commission on Human Rights is of great importance. It must help to remind the world that apartheid systemizes racial discrimination and inequities that are fundamentally inconsistent with the principles