

authority to those closest to the people being served by social programs... Development co-operation is a crucial element in international social development. Our Overseas Development Assistance (ODA) programs need to meet two key objectives: focussing our resources on reducing poverty and ensuring that available ODA dollars reach people directly... In addition, we must look again at a fundamental reform of the international financial regim.... Ultimately, many of these problems will only be solved through multilateral co-operation. I have heard those who say it is impossible for such co-operation to occur. The sceptics doubt the level of political will.

Notes for an Address by the Honourable Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Human Resources Development, to the World Summit for Social Development, Copenhagen, Denmark, March 9, 1995, 95/14

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