

was doubled to \$16 million over three years for university scholarships, literacy programs, adult education and technical training. Canada's development cooperation in South Africa is managed in partnership with a host of Canadian development agencies, the churches and organized labour. The Canadian Dialogue program was also expanded to \$1.6 million and supported numerous projects designed to break down the racial barriers in South Africa.

Canada played a crucial role in the United Nations' settlement plan for Namibian Independence. Over 500 Canadian Forces personnel served in the United Nations Transitional Assistance Group (UNTAG), later joined by 100 Royal Canadian Mounted Police, 50 election supervisors, and 12 technical experts. Four parliamentary observers went to Namibia in September, and many independent non-governmental organization observers monitored developments throughout

the process. The government was represented by an active diplomatic observer mission in Windhoek while Canada's Permanent Mission to the United Nations played an active role on the Security Council in resolving political crises in Namibia. In addition to its \$18 million contribution to the expenses of UNTAG, Canada provided approximately \$4 million in development and humanitarian aid to Namibia, including assistance for the resettlement of refugees.

The Secretary of State for External Affairs visited Namibia in early March to congratulate the newly elected leaders on their successful negotiation of a new constitution, and M^{me} Landry represented Canada at the country's independence celebrations on March 21. She took the occasion to announce that Canada would be maintaining a High Commission in Windhoek and would also be providing further assistance to the new government, expected to exceed \$4 million in the first year.

D. ASIA AND THE SOUTH PACIFIC REGION

Significant activity took place over the past year in the South Pacific, which comprises Australasia, South Asia (the Indian subcontinent) and

Southeast Asia, including members of the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN).