

CANADIAN ASSISTANCE TO MEMBER COUNTRIES OF THE
SOUTHERN AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT COORDINATION CONFERENCE (SADCC)

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Canada strongly supports SADCC's objective of reducing Southern African economic dependence on South Africa and increasing regional integration in Southern Africa. In 1988-89, our total assistance to the region through all channels was \$ 180 million. A similar level of assistance will be disbursed in the current financial year. In 1988-89 \$89 million went to individual SADCC countries as direct bilateral assistance, and an additional \$30.5 million went to these countries through SADCC's regional programs. The four sectors of concentration for Canada's programming in Southern Africa are: food and agriculture, energy, transport and communications and human resource development.

Angola

Canada does not have a formal bilateral aid program with Angola, but approximately \$6.1 million in bilateral assistance was disbursed in FY 1988/89, chiefly in food aid. Another \$7 million was allocated for food aid to Angola in FY 1989/90. A further \$2 million was provided for emergency relief operations in Angola carried out by such organizations as UNICEF and the League of Red Cross Societies.

In addition through Partnership Africa-Canada (PAC), CIDA's Africa 2000 program is contributing \$583,000 to a large community development program to assist displaced persons in the shanty-towns of Luanda. PAC also has approved a contribution of \$6.8 million over several years for "Program Angola", an integrated rural development and health project being undertaken by a consortium of 18 Canadian NGOs under the umbrella of the Canadian Council for International Cooperation (CCIC).

Botswana

Canada's bilateral development assistance to Botswana in 1988/89 totalled \$1.25 million, spent on bilateral programs chiefly offering technical assistance in the areas of transportation, mining, education and water resources. Botswana also benefitted substantially from SADCC projects in agriculture, education and energy. CIDA contributed about \$280,000 towards NGO projects in Botswana in the same fiscal year.