

APPENDIX II – HIGHLIGHTS OF OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES BY DEPARTMENT

The following is a sampling of ODA activities undertaken by each of the following departments in 2014–2015.

Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada

DFATD provided development assistance in various countries and regions. The department focused its development assistance to achieve the greatest impact, including in 25 development countries.

In 2014–2015, through its global issues and development programs, DFATD contributed to international development and humanitarian efforts by providing financial support to multilateral organizations and helping them shape their policies and programs throughout the world.

The Partnerships for Development Innovation programs aim to leverage Canadians' development expertise and initiative by funding the best proposals put forward by Canadian organizations to deliver development results on the ground and contribute to poverty alleviation.

Democracy programming focused on promoting: the full participation of citizens in decision making that affects their lives; rules-based governance; respect for human rights; and the emergence of effective and accountable institutions.

The Stabilization and Reconstruction Task Force (START) serves as Canada's centre of expertise for stabilization and reconstruction efforts in fragile and conflict-affected areas throughout the world, including Afghanistan, Haiti, South Sudan and Sudan.

Several programs were delivered in 2014–2015, notably the Canada Fund for Local Initiatives (CFLI) and the International Scholarships Program.

Department of Finance Canada

The Department of Finance provided support to the World Bank Group to achieve results in all of the government's development priority areas. This included core support to the IDA, the World Bank Group institution focused on offering grants and concessional loans to low-income countries and grants to fragile and conflict-affected states and other countries at risk of debt distress. In addition, the Department provided support to the Multilateral Debt Relief Initiative to contribute to decrease debt-service payments in developing countries. In 2014–2015, the Department of Finance Canada provided support to AgResults to enhance smallholder farmer well-being and food security in the developing world and managed the provision of two low-interest concessional loans to Ukraine, totaling \$400 million, as part of the government's efforts to support the Ukrainian people as they work to restore political and economic stability.

International Development Research Centre

Canada's International Development Research Centre (IDRC) invests in knowledge, innovation and solutions to improve lives and livelihoods in the developing world. IDRC's work focuses on three thematic areas: agriculture and environment, social and economic policy, and technology and innovation. At the end of 2014–2015, IDRC was supporting 732 projects globally carried out by 611 institutions, of which 103 were Canadian.

Citizenship and Immigration Canada

Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) plays a significant role in upholding Canada's international obligations and humanitarian tradition by engaging both domestic and international stakeholders to develop and implement timely, efficient and effective refugee protection policies and programs. In 2014–2015, CIC funded a variety of settlement services to help immigrants, including refugees and other newcomers, integrate into Canadian society.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police

In 2014–2015, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) deployed Canadian police officers to peace operations around the world. Canadian police assisted in building and strengthening law enforcement capacity in countries at risk. By building the capacity of foreign police to maintain law and order, Canadian police, in cooperation with international partners, helped create a safer and more stable global environment.

Public Health Agency of Canada

The Agency's participation in the Pan American Health Organization contributed to combatting disease, strengthening health systems, and improving people's quality of life in member states. The Agency also made numerous technical and in-kind contributions to help stop the spread of the Ebola virus disease in West Africa.

Environment Canada

In an effort to enhance the livelihoods of vulnerable populations by preserving and improving the environment in developing countries, Environment Canada provided support to various multilateral environmental organizations, including the United Nations Environment Programme and the World Meteorological Organization.