

Backgrounder

STAGES IN THE LIFTING OF CANADIAN SANCTIONS

Sanctions that have already been lifted

People-to-People Sanctions, lifted at Harare October 22, 1991.

- official contacts restored with South Africans excluding contacts with the South African military, police, security and intelligence forces. Prior approval from External Affairs is required for contact with the latter three groups.
- restrictions on cultural and scientific exchanges;
- ban on direct air links;
- ban on the promotion of tourism to South Africa;
- SATOUR authorized to reopen an office in Canada;
- resumption of issuance of visitors, visas at the Canadian Embassy in Pretoria; and
- sporting contacts allowed providing that the sporting organization in South Africa is "non-racial"; has been readmitted to the relevant international governing body and has the approval of the National Olympic Committee of South Africa.

Sanctions that are lifted with this announcement

Economic Sanctions, "including trade and investment measures."

To be lifted when "appropriate transitional mechanisms" have been agreed upon that would enable all parties to participate fully and effectively in negotiations. This condition has now been met.

- imports of agricultural products from South Africa, coal, iron and steel products, uranium, krugerrand coins;
- exports of dual-use high technology goods to civilian end-users with required export permit. Exports of these goods to the South African military, police or intelligence forces will continue to be denied. As well, South Africa will be retained on the Area Control List;