

It was proposed and agreed that the imposition of sanctions be assessed from three perspectives:

- Would the imposition of sanctions be morally and legally *right*'?
- Would sanctions be strategically *useful* ?
- Would sanctions be *effective*, symbolically and/or practically?

## A LIST OF THE CURRENT APPLICATION OF CANADIAN MEASURES

- \* no use of bilateral ODA since 1988
- \* no use by Burma of ODA through the Int. Financial Institutions (eg Asian Dev Bank)
- \* no official Canadian trade promotion
- \* no visas granted to SLORC officials
- \* no technical cooperation
- \* no sales of military equipment
- \* no EDC risk insurance for any Canadian company doing business in Burma
- \* no diplomatic presence and no commercial missions
- \* co-sponsor of UN resolution condemning human rights conditions in Burma

## ROUNDTABLE ARGUMENTS IN FAVOUR OF ECONOMIC SANCTIONS

1 Trade sanctions would set out Canada's position in unambiguous terms. There is presently international confusion and Canadian confusion about what to do about Burma.

2 A significant number of Canadians would welcome economic sanctions, particularly when they understood that forced labour and/or child labour are common in some sectors of the economy. Ending trade through sanctions in the garment sector would also end unfair competition with Canadian workers and manufacturers.