

preparatory meeting, the Department met with other departments to develop a coherent international component to Canada's national drug strategy. The Department also co-ordinated a review of the new UN Convention on International Trafficking.

In order to highlight its belief that international co-operation is essential to stem the drug trade, Canada committed itself to adhering to the 1971 UN Convention on Psychotropic Substances.

In addition to its activities relating to the Vienna conference, Canada worked internationally on two other fronts. It increased financial support for the UN Fund for Drug Abuse Control; the fund develops and finances programs to help farmers move away from drug production and to train local police to deal with drug traffickers. Secondly, the Department is expanding its Consular Awareness program, which aims at increasing Canadian travellers' awareness of the dangers of drug purchase and possession abroad.