

union organizations, the Swedish Trade Union Confederation (TO) and the Central Organization of Salaried Employees in Sweden (TCO) have established a joint secretariat which administers funding of approximately \$8.5 million annually provided by the government cooperation agency, SIDA, for educational assistance to trade unions in developing countries. Also, the Hammarsjold Foundation at Uppsala University sponsors seminars and development research on Third World issues, and the Wallenberg Institute at Lund University, an academic foundation, deals with human rights issues in the broadest context.

57. The Swedish Government is in the process of developing a mandate and considering funding for a proposed "Special Council for Popular Movements on Development Assistance". The Swedish Minister responsible for development has commented that by the choice of sectors within development assistance programs, Sweden can emphasize commitments that enhance democracy, security before the law, local self government, mass media, the development of voluntary organizations, etc.

K. Denmark

58. A neutral and politically independent human rights centre is to be established at Copenhagen University this year with annual funding of \$600,000 provided by the Danish Government. The Centre will be user-oriented and will focus on research on human rights, documentation, and information.

59. The Danish Aid Agency (DANIDA) has no allocations specifically directed to democratic development and human rights in the Third World. It does provide grants to the "anti-apartheid fund" used for people and groups in Southern Africa suffering under apartheid.

L. The Netherlands

60. The Netherlands Government funds projects in the area of human rights and democratic development by means of arms-length relationships with non-governmental organizations. The National Consciousness Raising Organization (NCO) funds groups and projects including human rights issues within the Netherlands with the aim of enhancing public support for development aid. The NCO has maximum operating independence but the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Development Cooperation are jointly responsible through membership on the Board for keeping an overview of its activities.

61. Development cooperation funding of \$120-140 million per year is provided for co-financing umbrella organizations. The program operates through four Netherlands non-governmental