

was responsible for the concrete actions now being carried out by the ACCT under its program of legal and judicial co-operation.

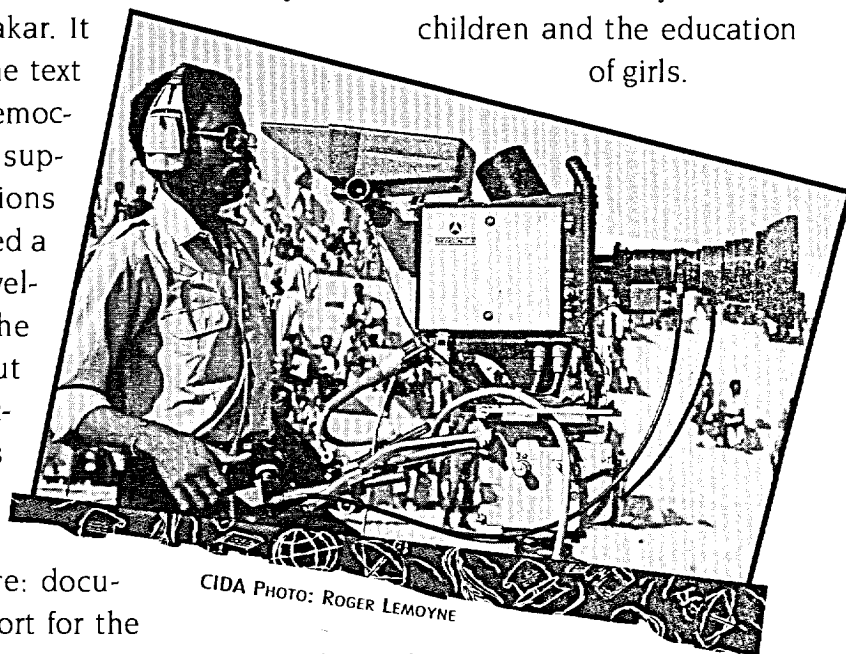
In the coming years, Canada intends to place high priority on these two sectors, both within the policy sphere, where decisions in principle are made, and within the co-operation sphere, where concrete action must bring that which is done into line with that which is said.

At the Chaillot Summit, Canada pursued the objectives introduced at Dakar. It contributed to the adoption of the text of the "Chaillot Declaration" on democracy and development, provided support for various political resolutions and, more important still, proposed a human rights and democratic development promotion program. The purpose of this program is to put the Chaillot Declaration into practice through a series of measures implemented in three areas which are essential and inseparable for establishing a democratic culture: documentation and information, support for the electoral process, and development sessions targeting key stakeholders in democratic development: parliamentarians, journalists, unions, police forces, and non-governmental organizations (NGOs).

More recently, at the Mauritius Summit, Canada had the opportunity to pursue and consolidate the actions taken at Dakar and Chaillot in the area of human rights and democratic development. It promoted the extension of the network of legal aid

and counselling centres for women and, in conjunction with the Government of Quebec, adding economics as a new field of cooperation.

To promote action on the conclusions of the Conference of Ministers Responsible for Children, held in Dakar in July 1993, Canada also proposed to support implementation of the action plan adopted at that conference, suggesting that the ACCT draw \$2 million from the Canadian contribution toward the improvement of educational systems for children and the education of girls.



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B) Launching of Projects Announced at the Mauritius Summit

Canada is closely monitoring the evolution of the projects announced in Mauritius. To this end, it participates actively on the expert committees, and ensures follow-up by co-operating with all the sectoral correspondents working in specific departments and collaborating as closely as possible with the participating governments of Quebec and New Brunswick.