

manner that is consistent with our particular environmental, social and economic circumstances.

With respect to the specific objectives, Canada was able to introduce the following concepts:

- discouraging PrepCom from including objectives and activities which duplicate, preempt, or prejudge the work of the INC-Climate Change process;
- a more holistic approach to protection of the atmosphere;
- the linkages between the climate change issue, and the biodiversity, oceans and forests issues through assembly of supportive data and information;
- priority areas of research related to critical linkages between the environmental and developmental issues as they relate to the atmosphere;
- strengthen cooperation on international and regional research, development, and demonstration programmes;
- increasing the resilience of key climate dependent sectors (e.g., agriculture and forestry);
- improving communication of the results of international and regional research and development activities through directed international, regional, and national education and information programmes;
- maintaining, enhancing and, where appropriate, establishing multiple-use regional and global monitoring and assessment capabilities as an integral part of reducing the uncertainties; and
- the broader issues of climate, climate variability, and climate change arising from causes other than enhanced atmospheric concentrations of greenhouse gases.

Prior to Rio, Canada will need to assess the remaining bracketed text, including the suggested additions and deletions by Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Yemen. This assessment should be based on the already identified Canadian positions on these matters resulting from consultations prior to PrepCom IV, the positions of other delegations and the direction the negotiations took at PrepCom IV, and the results of the INC-Climate Change negotiations. Positions should be developed for all bracketed text using the interdepartmental working group process and, as appropriate, provincial/territorial and industry/NGO consultations.

The delegation to UNCED should be prepared to negotiate the bracketed text within the documents PC/WG.I/L.47 and Corr.1. These negotiations will be done at UNCED as there is too little time between the close of the next session of the INC-Climate Change and the start of UNCED.