

~~It is important to have an Internet for all, it's necessary to have information from all countries in international organizations in which it participates (UN, UNDP, OAS, IDB). The Canadian government should look into civil society's concerns and discuss them with its foreign support policies aimed at community access and not confine itself to marketing issues. Support projects to export community Internet access techniques. Use available technology in such a way as to ensure that certain emerging countries share information on the production of telecommunications equipment, computers and computer peripherals. Conduct a concrete study of the social impact that a tool like the Internet would have on certain developing areas of the world. Use existing documents to examine the issues and to make a list of existing recommendations. Ask the international community about civil society's role regarding new information technologies. Canada could be the spokesperson on this issue. The Canadian government could. Other ideas and options mentioned during the discussion:~~

• That the Canadian government promote a definition of access that allows people not only to consume information, but also to freely produce and interact.

• The Canadian government should promote the recognition of all of the cultures and linguistic diversities in the world. In order to do this, the Canadian government, in cooperation with other countries, should promote the development of appropriate technologies, such as voice technologies, facilitating the presence of a diversity of languages on the network.

• Canada should promote the use of low-cost ICTs adapted to the uses of peoples and cultures so that they can use the technology in a way that will serve their own purposes.

• Promote an international sensitive process on the subject of diversity of languages and voices on the network.