

PEACEBUILDING AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE ISSUES:
IMPLICATIONS FOR CANADIAN FOREIGN POLICY

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Questions for Discussion on Thematic Issues

General Questions for All Workshops

What specific contributions can Canadians and Canadian institutions best make to the reconstruction of fair, credible and effective criminal justice institutions in post-conflict situations?

What strengths do young Canadians bring to the task of peacebuilding, particularly in the area of rebuilding criminal justice institutions?

ANNEX III

What specific activities in the field of criminal justice are most relevant to the success of the peacebuilding process?

What are the priority issues involved in rebuilding criminal justice institutions?

Questions Suggested to Participants

What role are lawyers in participating in the rebuilding of criminal justice institutions in a peacebuilding context?

How can the credibility of local courts be re-established?

What lessons can be learned from law enforcement experience and integrated into peacekeeping and peacebuilding operations?

What is the importance of assisting populations to rebuild and strengthen their civilian institutions?

How can indigenous justice methods be incorporated into the criminal justice system?

How can our own experience with indigenous justice issues benefit societies in transition?

How can the credibility of the state and the criminal justice system be increased and maintained?

What are the components that affect the level of trust between government and citizens?

What comprises trust between communities / ethnic groups / regions, and what can be done to raise that trust?

What is the potential for criminal law and constitutional reforms toward building and maintaining peace? What are the limitations of legal reforms?