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tribution covered operational expenses in the field, protective clothing, food for the deminers, vehicle maintenance, insurance and administrative costs for field offices in rural areas.

Thailand

The DFAIT Mine Ban Initiatives Program provided \$156,000 to the Vietnam Veterans of America Foundation for the completion of a Level One Socio-Economic Impact Survey of landmine contamination in Thailand. Carried out by Norwegian People's Aid under the auspices of the Survey Action Center, initial stages of the survey found that landmine contamination in Thailand was more extensive than previously expected. Canada's contribution supported extension of the survey and comple-

tion of its final phase. Survey results have allowed the newly-formed Thailand Mine Action Centre to establish an effective mine clearance program.

Yemen

The CIDA Multilateral Institutions Program provided \$59,000, as part of a two-year \$150,000 contribution to the UNDP for its strategic mine action plan for Yemen. Following up on the Level One Socio-Economic Survey completed in 2000 (which Canada supported with \$1.5 million in previous fiscal years), the plan is aimed at building capacity in Yemen in the areas of mine awareness, mine marking, mine clearance and victim assistance, targeting the most seriously affected communities identified through the Level One Survey.

A deminer clearing land in Southern Lebanon, where all mine action activity is coordinated by the Southern Lebanon Mine Action Coordination Cell.