

Priority Area Projects

Shchuch'ye Chemical Weapons Destruction Facility

Canada has made an initial commitment of up to \$10 million to other upcoming high-priority infrastructure projects at the Shchuch'ye CWDF—the access road, local warning system and communication lines described earlier in the report—and is anticipating making significant additional contributions to construction of this facility during the period 2005–07.

Russian Nuclear Submarine Dismantlement

A second implementing arrangement has been concluded for the period April 2005 through June 2006. This will cover relocating eight submarines, defuelling four and dismantling three, at a cost of up to \$31 million, plus up to \$1 million for related infrastructure. Negotiations for a third implementing arrangement will commence in late 2005.

Support to the IAEA Nuclear Security Fund

Canada is working to ensure the success of the Nuclear Security Fund and is considering extending the current contribution arrangement until December 2006. Future Canadian-supported projects in the three activity areas (physical protection, detection of malicious activities and security of radiological sources) could include International Physical Protection Advisory Service missions, the Chernobyl Exclusion Zone project

"We have been instrumental in strengthening international controls on transfers of sensitive nuclear technology, improving existing treaties, and forging coalitions among key states. ... This active engagement will continue, whether through our direction of the Global Partnership program to reduce the threat of terrorist acquisition of weapons of mass destruction in the former Soviet Union or our ongoing collaboration with Russia to destroy surplus fissile material. Canadian security depends on it."

*—Canada's International Policy Statement:
A Role of Pride and Influence in the World,
April 2005.*

and a regional workshop on the Code of Conduct on the Safety and Security of Radioactive Sources.

Physical Protection of Nuclear Material

Future possibilities for Canadian funding may include projects that involve measures to improve material accountancy procedures as well as border control systems. There is also the prospect of cooperating on projects with other *Global Partnership* members. Canada hopes to fund physical protection projects at up to three sites per year.



Participants of the CEG International Workshop on Multi-Purpose Nuclear Powered Submarine Dismantling at the Zvezdochka Shipyard