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Summary

Representatives of various disciplines, northern voices, some of who are also active in a
variety of NGOs, both local, national and international, gathered to discuss the relationship
between the North and Canada's foreign policy. The members of the First Nations did not attend,
given a conflict in schedules. In this respect, topics explored included the role of the
of Canadian foreign policy, the permeability of local and international
of the unique climate, the impact of international trade, women's issues, citizenship issues (immigrants and working leaves) and the impact
of globalization

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Policy Recommendations

- inclusion of First Nations people in the development of northern communities and in building the capacity of
northern communities.

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- Northern governments and organizations should work together to improve their economic and production
views.

- create linkages within the DFO community in the North, across provincial territorial boundaries
and between municipal communities in various countries.

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