development and good governance. In October 2003, CIDA and the Chinese Ministry of Commerce signed a letter of intent to increase co-operation in legislative development, health, agriculture, and the environment.

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CIDA's disbursements for the government-to-government program (the core of Canada's development co-operation in China) amounted to \$65.45 million in 2001-2. Canadian aid also includes projects carried out by Canadian non-profit and private sector groups, as well as by the International Development Research Centre. Canada also contributes to the work of multilateral agencies in China, such as the United Nations Development Program, UNICEF, and the World Health Organization.

Examples of current Canadian-sponsored development projects in China include:

- Canada-China Co-operation Project in Cleaner Production (\$10.5 million, from 1996-2003). This project responds to China's severe environmental degradation and heavy industrial pollution problems linked to outdated industrial infrastructure, outmoded management practices, and production techniques. The project has contributed to improved industrial practices and new, cleaner production legislation.
  - Sustainable Agriculture Development in the Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region (\$3.5 million, from 2000-2005). This project's four sites in the grasslands of Inner Mongolia demonstrate sustainable agricultural development methods and emphasize training-for-trainers in the latest technology to do with ploughing, animal feed, grazing, and community education and research programs.

Public Policy Options Program, Phases I & II (\$10.5 million, from 1996-2004). This program helps key Chinese institutions undertake policy reform and development by providing Chinese policy makers access to specialists in Canadian institutions and private firms. Projects include developing a national legal aid system and reforming the judicial system.