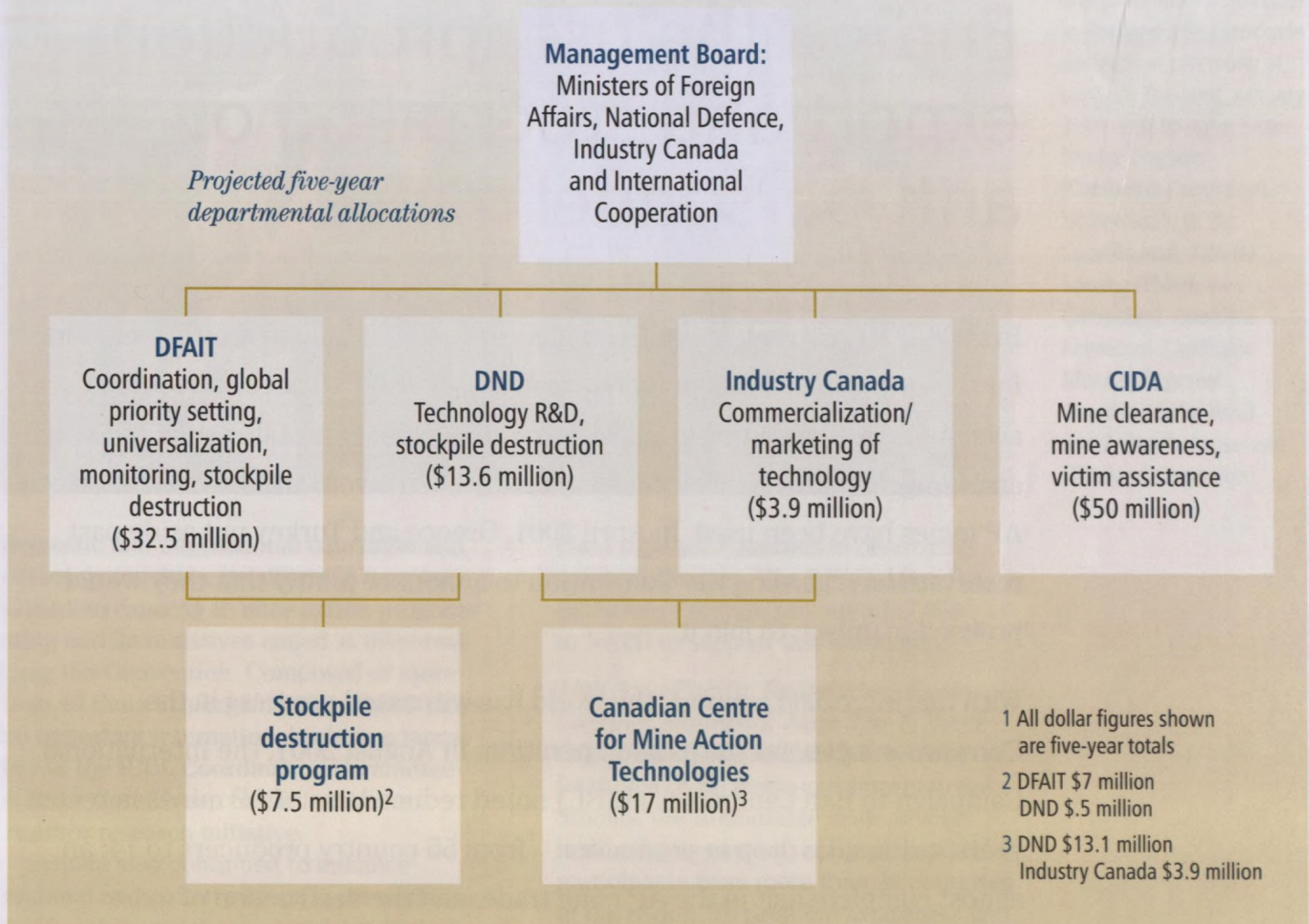


## The Canadian Landmine Fund

\$100 million<sup>1</sup>



that assists other states in destroying their stockpiles of AP mines.

CIDA leads in the areas of mine clearance, mine awareness and victim assistance. CIDA's mine action support helps to advance reconciliation and reconstruction in countries seriously affected by landmines and assist in resuming sustainable development in the wake of serious conflicts. CIDA's approach is to strengthen the capacity of key institutions, working through Canadian NGOs, the private sector and multilateral organizations, including United Nations agencies, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the World Health Organization (WHO). CIDA also supports mine action in a number of countries through its ongoing development assistance program.

DND has joined Industry Canada in

establishing the Canadian Centre for Mine Action Technologies (CCMAT). The CCMAT's mission is to carry out research and development of low cost, sustainable technologies for mine detection, mine neutralization, personnel protection and victim assistance and to investigate alternatives to AP mines. The Centre evaluates technologies developed through on-site research as well as those produced by Canadian industry. This is done using the facilities available through the Centre's association with Defence Research Establishment Suffield (DRES). Industry Canada takes the lead in commercializing and marketing technologies which show the most promise. DND also contributes to mine action by providing technical advisors to mine action centres in affected regions.