

OBJECTIVES, ISSUES, AND ACTION PLANS

OBJECTIVE TWO: BUILDING PEACE AND SECURITY

Goal Enhanced global peace and security supported by the rule of law and cooperative efforts on arms control, conflict prevention/peace-building, democracy, good governance, and international collaboration to combat terrorism, transnational crime, and drug trafficking.

Canadian Interests Many trends, including globalization, are driving a fundamental shift in foreign and trade policy and demand global solutions and multilateral cooperation :

Economic strength and social stability increasingly rival the importance of military strength as factors of influence and are more and more important in establishing foreign, trade and security policy.

Our borders are increasingly open to human, economic and environmental trends affecting our security (examples include the illegal movements of peoples, long range transport of various pollutants, global warming, health risks, drug trafficking and crime, terrorism).

A challenge increasingly is to ensure that the allocation of Canadian international assistance reflects foreign and trade policy priorities, including human security, the sustainable economic well-being of the world's peoples, and the integration and reform of transition economies.

Canada's huge landmass and long coastlines, relatively open borders, small population, and open economy influence and determine the approach Canada takes to such issues as collaboration and cooperation with the United States on sustainable development in North America, the rule of law, and protection of the environment.

ACTION PLAN - ISSUE 2A

Identifying and implementing the means to diffuse tensions, resolve disputes, prevent conflicts from occurring, and respond quickly to meet crises and humanitarian needs (i.e., peacekeeping and peacebuilding).

ACTION	MILESTONE INDICATORS
Initiate annual consultations with international partners on peacebuilding and human rights; support CIDA in implementing the newly-established Peacebuilding Fund (\$10M) to identify new approaches and solutions.	Annual consultations underway in 1997; Peacebuilding Fund implementation in FY 1997-98

