



The Department

Security within a Stable Global Framework

- The promotion of global peace — the key to protecting our security — remains a central element of our foreign policy.
- Stability and security are prerequisites for economic growth and development. However, the threats to security are more complex today than in the past. A whole range of issues that transcend borders — including mass migration, military threats, crime, disease, environmental degradation, overpopulation and underdevelopment — have implications for peace and security at the regional or global level.
- Our own security, including our economic security, depends increasingly on the security of others. Globalization, technological development and the scale of human activity reinforce our fundamental interdependence with the rest of the world.
- We contribute to our own and to global security through alliances with other countries in organizations such as NATO and the United Nations. We also contribute to global peacekeeping and promote issues such as human security.

Promotion of Canadian Values and Culture

- What values do we wish to project to the rest of the world? They include the following:
 - universal respect for human rights;
 - the development of participatory, democratic government and stable institutions;
 - the rule of law;
 - sustainable development;
 - careful management of the environment;
 - fair trade.
- By promoting these values successfully, we will make an important contribution to international security in the face of new threats to stability. Greater stability abroad helps to safeguard the quality of life at home.