



because it would have a genuine role in making decisions with respect to co-operation, as opposed to its current role of co-ordinating and setting out proposals.

#### **4.4 Current Priorities**

##### **A. The Emergence of New Priorities**

The Dakar Summit saw the emergence of new action themes that have been added to the five priority sectors of the previous Summit. In its capacity of host country, Senegal undertook to promote the **education and training sector**, which it felt should be the trademark of the Dakar meeting.

On its part, through the committed intervention of its Prime Minister, Canada adopted a **resolution on the environment** making this a full-fledged priority sector, and called for the convening of a conference of ministers of the environment, which was planned for April 1991 in Tunis. In addition to the adoption of this theme, which will take the form of four initiatives announced by Canada for this sector alone, the Canadian Prime Minister distinguished himself by the **submission of a resolution on human rights**, a first in the context of multilateral Francophonie. This resolution was largely responsible for the concrete actions now being carried out by the ACCT in its program of legal and judicial co-operation.

In the coming years, Canada should continue to place high priority on these two sectors, both within the policy sphere where decisions in principle are made and within the co-operation sphere, where concrete action must bring that which is done into line with that which is said.

##### **B. Launching of Projects Announced at Dakar**

The projects announced at Dakar are now in their launch phase. After a somewhat slow start because of the election of a new Secretary-General of the ACCT in the fall of 1989, and the installation of four new directors general at the beginning of the year, progress is now being made. Canada is monitoring developments carefully through its active participation in the CIS and its regular intervention with the Agency Secretariat to maintain the **pace of implementation** of the projects and to ensure their full and satisfactory completion. The table below describes approximately 23 active projects of the 82 projects approved at Dakar, originated by Canada.