

- A priority must be to include a social clause within trade agreements, using the European community as a model. The clause must be included as an integral part of trade agreements and not in a parallel agreement. To be effective, the clause must include mechanisms for economic and political sanctions as well as autonomous verification mechanisms.

#### *Environmental impact*

- Mechanisms for environmental protection must be created and included in trade agreements to regulate the action of corporations and governments.

#### *Parallel processes*

- The Canadian government must publicly recognize the importance of a social dimension to trade agreements and support the civil society parallel summit.
- The Labour and Social Forum must be officially recognized and a working group on labour protection must be established as one of the FTAA working groups.

#### *Assessment of NAFTA*

- The Canadian government should commission evaluative studies on the real impact, benefits and detriments of NAFTA that will assist planning for future initiatives toward economic integration.

#### *Preparing for the FTAA*

- The Canadian government must undertake a global analysis of the impact of a possible economic integration accord on fundamental rights, in particular social and economic rights. Indicators of human development should be used as evaluation tools.
- A hemispheric institution must be created to collect and analyze data, and to produce detailed evaluations of the impact of economic integration, in particular on issues such as income, distribution of wealth, school enrolment rates and environmental sustainability.
- An economic and social development fund should be created to compensate for the negative impact of economic integration, such as in the European community.