ARTICLE VIII

Canada undertakes to consider the provision of specific technical and financial support within its development assistance programmes for an agreed programme of regional projects among the member countries of ASEAN and the region. Such programmes may include policy networking, institutional, organizational and management development programmes aimed at strengthening collaboration between Canada and the region in areas of mutual interest.

ARTICLE IX

The Contracting Parties will make every effort to encourage cooperation among institutions in their respective countries, such as universities, research institutes and centres, professional associations, chambers of commerce, trade and industry associations, co-operatives and similar institutions. Such cooperation may include management development programmes, exchange of information and personnel, seminars, conferences, promotion of joint project development and market development. The Contracting Parties shall also encourage the provision of grants and other assistance for scholarships and fellowships in areas of mutual interest.

ARTICLE X

The Contracting Parties shall, as appropriate, encourage and facilitate cooperation in the field of science and technology and the environment through both governmental and private initiatives.

ARTICLE XI

The Contracting Parties, having regard to their respective laws and regulations, shall make every effort to promote the role of the private sector in facilitating the movement of experts, specialists, business representatives and investors and their dependants as well as material and equipment related to activities falling within the scope of this Agreement.