

H. Promoting public participation and accountability

- The Sub-Committee reaffirms its position that dealing with the unfinished business of international debt is a political responsibility shared by the developed and the developing world. It is, moreover, a matter of enlightened mutual interests and public justice not charity, which calls for actions that are democratic, human-centred, and in harmony with the environment. We urge the government to do more to communicate the issues raised by the debt crisis to Canadians, and to engage their support for constructive Canadian policies. The government should consider appointing several members of the public at large to the advisory task force we recommended be created to advance such policies and to monitor their implementation. (p. 49)