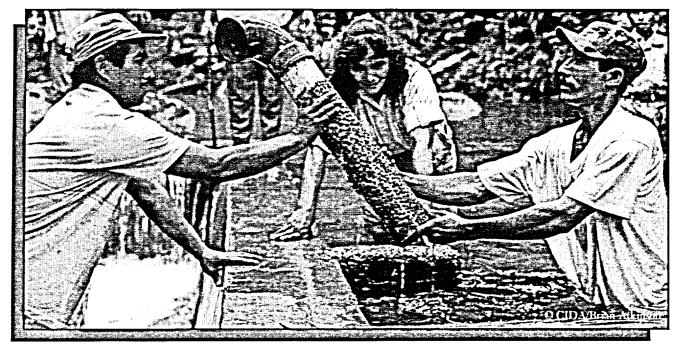
INTRODUCTION

Canada's development cooperation policy and programs will:

- advance Canadian values of global citizenship, equity and environmental sustainability, as well as Canadian interests regarding security, prosperity and governance;
- deliver visible, durable impact on the world's key development challenges as identified in the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs);
- focus on reducing poverty through an effective and focused approach which will match Canadian niches with developing countries' needs in coordination with other donors;

- recognize and promote sustainable solutions to address the critical linkages between environmental degradation, poverty and social inequity; and
- mobilize Canadians in dialogue and participation to build our society's capacity to contribute effectively to global poverty reduction.



Workers clean the filters of a dam in Palos de Agua, Honduras, as part of the Sustainable Water and Sanitation Project.