

2. Redirect expenditures for military research into peace research, helping to solve problems of clean water and water distribution and alternative energy (wind and solar) in developing countries.

### Canadian government commitments to complete and general disarmaments:

#### *Platform for Action*

*para 143(f): (i) Work actively towards general and complete disarmament under strict and effective international control; (ii) Support negotiations on the conclusion, without delay, of a universal and multilateral and effectively verifiable comprehensive nuclear-test-ban treaty that contributes to nuclear disarmament and the prevention of the proliferation of nuclear weapons in all its aspects; [also the Beijing Declaration, para 28]*

*para 143(e)(v): Adopt... a moratorium on the export of anti-personnel landmines...*

#### *Recommendations*

##### The Canadian government:

1. Immediately stop trading with and selling arms, military components, as well as dual purpose equipment to countries with repressive regimes or at war and countries supporting and/or fueling armed conflict in the world.
2. Continue to promote and work towards such initiatives as the now successful ban on anti-personnel landmines; work towards total ban on landmines and destruction of existing stock piles around the world.

### Canadian government commitments to increased participation of women:

#### *Platform for Action*

*para 144(c): Strengthen the role of women and ensure equal representation of women at all decision-making levels in national and international institutions which make or influence policy... related to peace-keeping, preventive diplomacy and related activities and in all stages of peace mediation and negotiations...*

#### *Recommendations*

##### The Canadian government:

1. Encourage gender balance in the institution of the UN by actively supporting recruitment of women into all levels of decision making positions; lobby other governments to fulfill their commitments to women in their respective countries.
2. Actively recruit women into all levels of government and into all levels of decision making positions in Canada, including positions with international duties, such as CIDA and Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

## ■ Women and Economy

#### *Platform for Action*

*para 165: (c) ...take effective measures to ensure that pregnant women, women on maternity leave or women re-entering the labour market after childbearing are not discriminated against; (g) Seek to develop a more comprehensive knowledge of work and employment through... efforts to measure and better understand the type, extent and distribution of unremunerated work...; (l) Ensure that all corporations, including transnational corporations, comply with national laws and codes, social security regulations, applicable international agreements, instruments and conventions, including those related to the environment, and other relevant laws; (r) Reform*

