

B'nai Brith Canada was among the first to adopt Vietnamese refugees; we sent aid to Italy for the victims of the 1980 earthquake; clothing to Lebanon in 1982; in 1984 we assisted in the absorption of Ethiopian Jews to Israel; and most recently we sent funds in aid of the victims of the Mexican earthquake and the volcano in Colombia. In addition, B'nai Brith has sent its representatives on missions to Ethiopia, Spain, the Soviet Union, Italy, Lebanon, Biafra and Israel. As part of its international program B'nai Brith meets regularly with foreign governments and maintains an ongoing dialogue with the Canadian Ministry of External Affairs. We also sent a delegate to the End of the Women's Decade Conference in Nairobi.

#### Canada in the World

The central question which the Green Paper poses is how we, as a nation, can best "reconcile our resources and commitments"; how, given our capabilities, we can most influence international events so that peace is maintained and justice prevails. The review of Canada's international relations for which the Green Paper calls, as is made very clear, does not extend to a reassessment of our goals and purposes. Our democratic way of life -- from which we derive our international aspirations -- is not open to question. The purpose of the review is to develop