

Other Aspects

Of course, Canada has long considered cultural relations with China an important facet of bilateral relations. Official consultations on cultural relations take place regularly.

And for the past 15 years or so, Chinese interest in Canadian studies has increased considerably. At present, there are nearly 20 Canadian studies centres in China, plus a Chinese Canadian Studies Association. Canada spends nearly \$250,000 a year in developing Canadian studies programs in China.

More than 4,000 Chinese students are now studying at Canadian universities, mainly in engineering and pure sciences. About 100 Canadian students are studying in China.

Launched in 1982, the Canadian International Development Agency's (CIDA's) official development assistance program with China is focused in the energy, transportation, telecommunications, agriculture, forestry and human resource development sectors.

Major ongoing projects include the Canada China Enterprise Management Training Centre, assistance to open cities, the China Council for International Co-operation on Environment and Development, lean swine production, the South China power studies project, the Oil and Gas Technology Transfer Program, and comprehensive transport management training.

CIDA has recently put in place a new country development policy framework for China which will serve as a guide for all future programming. From now on, all CIDA programs in China will focus on economic co-operation, environmental sustainability, human rights and democratic development, and good governance. In addition, CIDA's concerns about women in development and reduction of poverty will continue to be emphasized.

Since the new country development policy framework was launched in July 1994, by Foreign Affairs Minister André Ouellet, letters of intent have been signed for nine new initiatives in the areas of environmental sustainability, economic co-operation, good governance and women in development.

l'État. En outre, l'ACDI continuera d'insister sur l'intégration des femmes au processus de développement et sur la réduction de la pauvreté.

Depuis l'instauration par M. André Ouellet, ministre des Affaires étrangères, de ce cadre politique en juillet 1994, des lettres d'intention portant sur neuf initiatives dans les domaines de la viabilité environnementale, de la coopération économique, de la gestion publique et de la participation des femmes dans le développement ont été signées.

Agreements and Memoranda of Understanding (MOU)

AGREEMENTS

Air

June 1973

Civil Air Transport Agreement

Claims

August 1981

Agreement concerning the Settlement of Private Property Claims

Commerce

October 1973

Trade Agreement

Culture

February 1987

Agreement on Co-production of Films

Development Co-operation

October 1983

General Agreement on Development Co-operation

Economic Co-operation

October 1979

Protocol on Economic Co-operation

Environment

July 1994

Environmental Co-operation

Export Financing

July 1994

Export Financing Agreement

Investment Insurance

January 1984

Exchange of Notes relating to Foreign Investment Insurance

Legal

July 1994

Mutual Legal Assistance Treaty

Taxation

May 1986

Agreement for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income

Trademarks

July 1973

Exchange of Notes concerning Reciprocal Registration of Trade Marks