

Defence

The Canadian Forces Attaché located in Kuala Lumpur has been accredited to Indonesia, among other ASEAN member states, to expand defence relations within ASEAN. The Attaché provides advice on military matters and liaises with most of the armed forces of the region. An important component of this arrangement is the identification of defence equipment acquisition programs which are of interest to Canada's defence industry.

Education

Over 600 Indonesians study at Canadian post-secondary educational institutions each year. A number of Indonesian cabinet ministers and senior officials have studied in Canada. A CIDA-funded general training program finances study in Canada by Indonesians. Several Canadian organizations and institutions have been active in marketing Canadian educational and training services.

In May 1990, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed to establish a linkage arrangement between the Indonesian State Institute of Islamic Studies (IAIN) and the Institute of Islamic Studies at McGill University to strengthen teaching and research capacities at the IAIN. Elements of this CIDA-supported project include graduate and non-degree courses at McGill for more than 75 IAIN scholars, teaching visits to Indonesia by McGill professors, upgraded library facilities and support for an Indonesian professor to supervise degree students at McGill.

Agriculture

The Department of Agriculture of Indonesia and the Ministry of Agriculture in Canada have signed a Memorandum of Understanding on veterinary matters. CIDA is financing an Animal Disease Centre in Indonesia. Canada and Indonesia are both

members of the Cairns Group which is working on improvements in international trade in agricultural products in the context of the GATT Uruguay Round of Multilateral Trade Negotiations. Canada is the major supplier of potash fertilizer both commercially and under its development co-operation program.

5.3 Provincial Co-operation

Provincial contacts with Indonesia are chiefly made through trade missions. Alberta and Quebec have been the most active in this respect.

Alberta's links with Indonesia cover a number of private sector training projects including the establishment of a centre in Indonesia to train technicians in oil and gas technologies. The province also sends trade missions to Indonesia annually, focused primarily on oil and gas, telecommunications and agriculture.

The province of Quebec is also active in Indonesia, organizing two trade missions per year for the promotion of Quebec products and services and the identification of possible joint ventures.

British Columbia has been involved in Indonesia through the provision of a number of post-secondary education programs for Indonesians in technical fields. Ontario has supported company attendance at some trade fairs in Indonesia. Trade missions from the provinces of Nova Scotia and Saskatchewan have also visited Jakarta over the last two years.