

## The Summit of the Americas on the Web

For comprehensive updates on the Québec meetings before, during and after the Summit, consult the DFAIT Web site on the event (<http://www.AmericasCanada.org>). You'll find everything you want to know about the social, cultural, political and economic questions and the many things we have in common with our hemispheric neighbours, plus hyperlinks to hundreds of sites of interest. From in-depth studies of issues to wide-ranging coverage of cultural events, **AmericasCanada.org** has it all. **The Park**, for example, is an on-line magazine that features personality profiles, book reviews, essays and artistic exploration from across the Americas. Connect from it to the **YouthZone**, a highly informative and

entertaining site featuring **Cool Links** to videos, music, games, science and the environment. The Zone also puts you in touch with young people and groups from all over the Hemisphere. And if you want to share and discuss ideas about Summit issues, visit the **Interactive** section with its discussion forum and chat room.



To learn about Canada's relations with individual countries of the Hemisphere, consult the Department's Web site on Latin America and the Caribbean

(<http://www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/latinamerica/menu-e.asp>). It offers a wealth of links to governments, hemispheric institutions and organizations, and civil society-related Web sites.



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## DID YOU KNOW THAT ...

Canadian **missions** in **11 countries** in Latin America and the Caribbean can now be accessed directly on the **Internet**. Visit <http://www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/latinamerica/embassies-e.asp> to connect with sites of embassies and consulates. You'll find useful information on the countries where those missions are situated, plus links to local governments and resources. To reach the Canadian Embassy in **Washington, D.C.**, and consulates across the United States, visit: <http://www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/geo/usa/menu-e.asp>

When travelling in the United States, Latin America and the Caribbean, stay connected to Canada by tuning in to **Radio Canada International** (RCI). On shortwave and the Internet, it broadcasts Canadian news and other information programs in English, French and Spanish. For schedules and frequencies, consult RCI's Web site: <http://www.rcinet.ca>

**Civil society** plays an ever-increasing role in hemispheric affairs. Visit <http://www.civil-society.oas.org/CSO-links.htm> to connect with a vast network of institutions and NGOs involved in activities/issues ranging from **social development, environment and justice to children, Indigenous peoples, peace and security, and women's concerns**. Several **Canadian organizations** are listed on the site.

The inter-American human rights system was launched with the **American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Man**, adopted in Bogotá, Colombia, in **April 1948**. The American Declaration was the first international human rights instrument of a general nature. It preceded by a few months the **Universal Declaration of Human Rights**, adopted by the United Nations on **December 10, 1948**.

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Scheduled for June 2001, the **Canada World View** summer issue will focus on the 25th anniversary of Canada-European Union ties. From political and economic to scientific and cultural aspects, we will present an overview of this relationship, which is crucial to Canada's national and international interests. ●—

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