

- Canada has chosen not to take part in the UN-authorized multinational force in Haiti. Instead, as Foreign Affairs Minister André Ouellet has stated, Canada's effort will focus on peacekeeping and long-term reconstruction, once President Aristide returns to power.
- United Nations commitments:
 - A Canadian, Colonel W. Fulton, will be the senior military officer in the advance planning team for UNMIH. The team includes RCMP Chief Superintendent Neil Pouliot, who heads the UNMIH civilian police contingent. The advance team is scheduled to arrive in Haiti next week and will pave the way for the redeployment of UNMIH. In all, there are 4 Canadian military officers and 13 RCMP officers on the team.
 - Once UNMIH redeploys, Canada will send a contingent of up to 100 RCMP officers and 600 military personnel to Haiti.
- Bilateral commitments:
 - In discussions with President Aristide, Canada has pledged to send a contingent of RCMP officers to Haiti to train Haitian police.
 - Under a Memorandum of Understanding that Canada signed with the Aristide government in August, Canada will train up to 100 Haitian police officers in Regina. Training is scheduled to start in mid-October.

Consular Activities

- There are presently 1 957 Canadians living in Haiti. Most are dual nationals, are married to Haitians, or are missionaries.
- Our Embassy is in frequent contact with Canadians via the warden system and missionary network.
- The public can get information on Canadians in Haiti by calling 1-800-267-6788. This line is toll-free and is answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Development Assistance

- Canada suspended government-to-government assistance to Haiti in 1991, following the coup.
- Since the coup, Canada has approved \$41 million in humanitarian and food aid to the people of Haiti through multilateral and non-governmental organizations. The assistance has been used to provide badly needed food and medicine, in addition to funding small rehabilitation and water supply projects.
- After the intervention, we will increase our overall assistance. In addition to continuing emergency humanitarian assistance, our aid program will emphasize the restoration of democracy and good governance, respect for human rights and support for the longer-term goal of sustainable economic development for Haiti.

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