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JOE CLARK ANNOUNCES FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR PROPOSED
EDUCATIONAL NETWORK FOR BLACK SOUTH AFRICANS

TORONTO - The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today announced a feasibility study to explore the creation of a Commonwealth-wide network of non-governmental organizations dealing with education and training of black South Africans.

The Minister for External Relations and International Development, the Honourable Monique Landry, has approved \$106,985 as funding for the study through the Canadian International Development Agency. Mr. Clark announced the study at the Commonwealth Foreign Minister's meeting on Southern Africa in Toronto, August 2-3.

Archbishop Ted Scott, Chairman of the South African Education Trust Fund (SAETF), will supervise the study and chair consultative meetings with participants from Commonwealth countries.

There is an urgent need to increase the number of black South Africans in positions of authority in the private and public sectors when South Africa moves toward a non-racial democratic society. The task force conducting the feasibility study will survey existing or proposed programs for the training of black South Africans for senior administrative and managerial positions.

It will also study the mechanisms that can link potential candidates for advanced training with appropriate training courses or practical work placements within Commonwealth countries.

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