1.0 ABSTRACT

The paper written by the Canadian and African Business Women's Alliance is on the Canadian policies towards Africa. The paper compiles the current existing policies and strategies that frame and guide Canada's trade and investment activities in Africa, as well as Canada's social and developmental agenda towards Africa.

Policy recommendations are presented in the paper. The intent of the recommendations is to facilitate other studies on Canadian policies for Africa and to gender mainstream Canadian policies. A focus on women at all levels of policy-making is an investment that results in benefit to all African communities, as it is the goal of the Africa Action Plan which will be tabled at the G8 Summit 2002 priorities.