

The Lysøen Declaration and the Partnership Agenda are attached.

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## Backgrounder

### NORWAY-CANADA PARTNERSHIP FOR ACTION

#### THE LYSØEN DECLARATION

Norway and Canada share common values and approaches to foreign policy. With the evolution of international affairs, particularly with regard to emerging human security issues, we have agreed to establish a framework for consultation and concerted action.

#### Shared Objectives

To enhance foreign policy consultations and co-operation on priority issues of international concern.

To strengthen Arctic and northern co-operation.

To co-ordinate and concert actions with a view to:

enhancing human security;

promoting human rights;

strengthening humanitarian law;

preventing conflict; and

fostering democracy and good governance.

To develop and enhance partnerships between governments, international organizations, non-governmental organizations and other elements of civil society.

#### Framework