it be required to report directly to Canada's democratic institutions.

## Workshop 2 Official Development Aid in Peacekeeping

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The NGOs and institutions devoted to solidarity among nations encourage the Government of Canada

#### at the quantitative level:

- to give precedence to a policy and a budget for civilian promotion of peace;
- to attempt to achieve the minimum objective of 0.7% of the GDP for development assistance;
- to increase the portion of ODA resources dedicated to the social development of poor majorities in the developing countries, and, to strengthening the capabilities of democratic organizations in civil society, since they contribute to the civic education of population groups (human rights, democratic participation, environmental protection, etc.) and enable them to take responibility for the common welfare;

### at the quantitative level:

- to continue its commendable initiative to totally proscribe the production, sale and use of anti-personnel mines, which do most of their damage among civilians, especially women and children;
- to intensify its human rights promotion policy, bringing cooperation and international trade programmes and projects under its purview requiring that they not only respect human rights but actively promote them;

- to continue more intensively the development of peaceful and just conflict-resolution mechanisms, both at the level of international diplomacy and in support of truly democratic governments and the organizations of civil society;
- to strengthen its environmental policies promoting sustainable development, and to continue making subject to it all agencies executing projects funded from ODA;
- 5) to reintroduce significant programs to support education, training and awareness-raising among the Canadian public toward the development of peoples in solidarity and peace; these programs could benefit much from the extensive experience of the NGOs;
- to consider the specific needs of the developing countries in determining and implementing trade policies and international trade rules.

# **ANNEX I**

Responses to the discussion issues prepared by the Canadian Centre for Foreign Policy Development in Anticipation of the Winnipeg Forum

What are Canada's strengths and weaknesses in the process of maintaining and consolidating peace.

Canada is a major participant in consolidating peace throughout the world. A fundamental issue is strengthening decision-making and intervention mechanisms both here and in the UN.

In the institutional field there are problems with coordination. There should be more participation by the military, public service, civil and parliamentary representatives, NGO-NGIs, and