

The conference on *Mexican Human Rights and Security: Policy Options for Canada* was a complete success. We gratefully thanked the Canadian Centre for Foreign Policy Development throughout the course of the Conference (especially at the beginning and end), as well as in the advertisements that preceded it.

Attendance and Participation

Based on fairly accurate counts, at the peak we had about 160 people attending on February 13, and at the lowpoint, just over 100. Because people were coming and going, a total of about 250-300 attended the Conference. Many of these were students and faculty members. There were also representatives from relevant NGOs throughout the southern interior of British Columbia, as well as interested members of the public. We took great care to advertise the Conference in a way that would attract the broadest possible audience.

We also had a reception for the Conference Speakers on the evening of February 13. About 120 people attended, including students, faculty, our two local MLAs, and the media. This provided the invitees (especially students) a chance to speak in a casual way with the speakers, and there was much interaction. The students who showed the most interest in the events tended to be those enrolled in majors including International Relations, Latin American Studies, and pre-law students.