THE PROCESS

- This year's foreign policy review will be a four-staged process:
 - parliamentary debate on our foreign and defence policies in March;
 - a National Forum on Canada's International Relations March 21 and 22;
 - public hearings by parliamentary committees this spring and summer;
 and
 - in the fall, a statement of the Government's foreign policy directions, including international assistance.
- The Government will also carry out other forms of consultation with nongovernmental groups in areas such as development assistance, human rights, and peace and security.