## 5 PARTICIPANTS

The following sectors and groups will be invited to attend and participate:

a) Sudanese representatives will be invited to present a diversity of views from a crosssection of Sudanese civil society. They will come from among the following groups:

Sudanese women's groups NGOs Religious organizations Human rights organizations Community associations Research organizations Labour/Trade Union

- b) Researchers from Canada, the US and Europe, who will be requested to present their findings, e.g. the Harker mission.
- c) Representatives from the Canadian Government.
- d) An invitation will be extended to the Sudanese Embassy.
- e) Representatives of Canadian oil companies and investment analysts. The Calgary Forum will allow direct dialogue with leading Sudanese civil society representatives.
- f) Representatives intimately connected with the IGAD peace process.
- g) Members of the Sudan Inter Agency Reference Group (SIARG) and other NGOs, churches, the media and the general public.

## 6 TIME FRAME

The Symposium will take place in late June. Provisional dates are:

Calgary Public Forum Monday June 5, 2000

Ottawa Public Meeting Wednesday June 7, 2000

Ottawa Symposium Wednesday-Friday June 7-9, 2000

The visitors from Sudan will have many follow up activities during subsequent days with the media, church groups, DFAIT and CIDA.