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(Above) Ottawa-area students check out a demining expo at Ban Landmines 99.

(Right) Governor General Adrienne Clarkson, Her Majesty Queen Noor of Jordan, Prime Minister Jean Chrétien, John Ralston Saul, and Madam Aline Chrétien celebrate the Canadian Landmine Foundation's first gala fundraising dinner, Rideau Hall, December 1999.



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the Canadian Landmine Foundation, a private charity established to raise funds for mine action and promote the long-term sustainability of mine action programming. The Foundation's opening gala in December 1999 was attended by Her Majesty Queen Noor of Jordan, Governor General Adrienne Clarkson and Prime Minister Jean Chrétien. The Foundation has supported two field programs in Central America and launched its Adopt-A-Mine Field program and the fund-raising web site www.clearlandmines.com.

Canadian citizens have demonstrated their commitment to the landmines issue through contributions to the Canadian Landmine Action Fund (CLAF), a special purpose account established by DFAIT and Mines Action Canada to receive donations for mine action projects. In fiscal year

1999, the CLAF's first grant to a mine action program was made to the not-for-profit demining organization, the Canadian International Demining Corps. CIDC was given \$30,000 for the purchase and first-phase training of two mine detection dogs. Funds raised include proceeds from Youth Mine Action Ambassador Program activities such as *Dance Without Fear*, fundraising activities at the Pan Am Games in Winnipeg 1999 and contributions from individual donors.