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AID AND DEVELOPMENT

ETHIOPIAN FAMINE ASSISTANCE

COMMENTARY

CBC/CBOT-The Journal Nov. 7/84

Standard coverage of the situation in Ethiopia and speculation that it will get worse.

CBC-The Journal Nov. 7/84

CBC news correspondent Brian Stewart reporting on the general situation from Addis Ababa.

CBC-Radio As It Happens Nov. 27/84

(interview with James Firebrays, program officer for War on Want)
Mr. Firebrays, back from Ethiopia, said he saw evidence of Canadian food aid being sold on the black market.

CTV Canada AM Dec. 17/84

(interview with Desmond Hammill, reporter with ITN in England)
Mr. Hammill said he is convinced Canadian aid is being diverted and sold for profit.

CBC-The Journal Dec. 18/84

(interview with David MacDonald and George Galloway)
David MacDonald, back from a fact-finding mission in Ethiopia, said there is no evidence that Canadian aid is being sold on the black market, while George Galloway insisted it was as was most Western aid. He accused MacDonald of providing Canadians with a snow-job on one of the worst governments in Africa.

CBC Morningside Nov. 5/84

(interview with OXFAM's David Gallagher)
Mr. Gallagher said that although Eugene Whelan reported on conditions in Ethiopia some time ago that there was a delay in action because cabinet relies on its bureaucrats in External Affairs for information. He said the priority now is to get aid into the rebel held areas which are being neglected.

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Coverage of the general situation in Ethiopia.

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(interview with Dawitt Wold-Giorgis, Chief Commissioner of Ethiopia's Relief and Rehabilitation Commission and George Galloway, General Secretary of War on Want, an international relief agency)
Mr. Wold-Giorgis said he appealed to Canada for aid in both May and August of 1984, but that nothing was done. He said the same occurred after appeals to the international community. Mr. Galloway confirmed that the Western response to the famine was too little too late and that while these countries knew of the impending problems, only media attention has embarrassed them into doing something.