

points. The program and budget that it adopted were rigorous enough to satisfy us. Some said that we might have done better, but I say that to have a large number of productive compromises reached by 160 Member States was a remarkable success. Some said that we did not push our advantage far enough, but I say that Canada has too much respect for the mechanisms of multilateral negotiation to try to force all its views on its partners.

Although there are still problems, Unesco proved in Sofia that it is capable of reform and that the best approach is to work from within to restore the organization. That was our decision, and I was pleased to be the bearer of it.

I also wish to tell you that Canada has done very well in Unesco recently. We were elected to the intergovernmental councils of the International Bureau of Education, the World Heritage Committee and the International Hydrological Program. We were selected to represent the Western group on the Unesco Executive Board. We played a key part in settling problems related to the American departure. Finally, we have had Quebec City included on the official World Heritage List. These accomplishments are a credit to us.

III - ENHANCED COOPERATION BETWEEN CIDA AND UNESCO

Let me raise on final point. When I returned from Sofia, I informed the House of Commons of my intention to enhance cooperation between CIDA and Unesco in small cooperative projects in education, science and culture. My thanks to Mrs. Thomson for drawing my attention to the fact that this would give CIDA an avenue of intervention where we could obtain impressive results with relatively few resources.

This evening I am pleased to announce that CIDA will provide the Canadian Commission for Unesco with \$500,000 over the next two years to enable it to meet requests for assistance from non-governmental organizations, institutions and private individuals for small development projects.

I am also pleased to inform you that last January I approved \$110,000 in extra-budgetary support for the International Program for the Development of Communication. Two other IPDC projects will receive \$120,000 in funding: the first is for training journalists and information officers in the health field, and the second for training women in developing countries in communications skills.