

major industrial countries had rejected demands from developing countries that more money be pumped into the international economy. In opposition to the U.S. position, he said a modest injection of money into the system would not spur a new round of inflation. He also said his approach to the IMF and Third World is the same as that taken by the Liberal government except that he supports a case-by-case approach to solving debt problems of individual countries rather than concentration on global situations.

Edmonton Journal Dec. 3/84

(CP)

Standard coverage of Monique Vezina's announcement that the government will provide "big dollars" to aid agencies.

Toronto Star Sept. 7/84

(by Bob Hepburn, Ottawa Bureau Chief)

Finance Minister Michael Wilson told Commonwealth finance ministers that Canada wants debt problems of poor countries to be considered on a case-by-case basis, rather than trying to find a formula to apply to all poor countries. This line reflects U.S. and British policy. He also said he opposed calling by the Third World for a restructuring of global institutions such as the IMF and World Bank.

Globe and Mail Oct. 22/84

(by Brian Milner, Globe staff)

Alan Gill, Canadian director of the Asian Development Bank and Gerard Richard, an official with CIDA, went on a cross country tour to persuade business to stop complaining about unfairness in the procurement procedures of the five multilateral aid banks and to start bidding on the contracts they put up for tender. While Canadian firms get about 40 per cent of the contracts they bid on, they generally respond to only one or two per cent of the tender invitations issued by aid banks.

Vancouver Sun Oct. 22/84

(by Rod Nutt)

Canadian companies must bid more often on contracts financed by the Asian Development Bank to win business in the Asia Pacific region according to Alan Gill, Canadian Director of the Asian Development Bank. He said the success rate of Canadian bids is the highest of any country but that Canadian companies don't bid enough.

Winnipeg Free Press Dec. 12/84

(by Ken MacQueen (CP))

Auditor General's Report: CIDA takes too long to plan some relief projects, often relies on out-of-date information, fails to learn from past mistakes, has cumbersome chain of command. However, Dye reported staff get high marks for dedication and there have been 'significant improvements' since CIDA was investigated five years ago.