

co-ordinate and expand existing development programs. CIDA works in sectors that are complex but have great social impact, such as rural development and public health. Canada's development assistance program is substantial. Over the next five years, Canada will provide \$16 billion. In 1988, Canada ranked first with France as the most generous donor on an Official Development Assistance/Gross National Product basis among Economic Summit countries, and the seventh-most generous donor among OECD countries. Canada will continue to work to help developing countries, particularly the poorest, address their debt and development problems.

