Canada has played a similarly active role in promoting the advancement of women within the Commonwealth. In October 1990, Canada hosted the third Meeting of Commonwealth Ministers Responsible for Women's Affairs. Delegations from 47 countries examined a broad range of issues, with a special emphasis on economic equality for women.

Also in October 1990, Canada joined the Inter-American Commission for Women (CIM) of the Organization of American States. "Membership in CIM will enable Canada to play a greater role in working for equality of women within the Americas," commented Mr. Clark.

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