

agricultural trade reform, and it has already established far-reaching objectives for agriculture in the Uruguay Round.

Another continuing Canadian priority at the summit meetings has been the special problems of developing countries, particularly the poorest ones in sub-Saharan Africa. Largely at Canada's initiative, successive summit declarations have called for special efforts to help these nations. Substantial progress has been made to address this challenge:

- enlargement of the Structural Adjustment Facility of the IMF (which provides concessional financing for the poorest countries seeking to implement economic policy reforms);
- expansion of the World Bank's concessional lending window for the poorest countries (the International Development Association); and
- agreement on a broad approach to dealing with the indebtedness problems of developing countries.

Pursuant to these commitments, Canada announced at the recent Commonwealth and Francophone summits that it would forgive the Official Development Assistance (ODA) debt of 13 countries in sub-Saharan Africa, which are among the poorest nations in the world.

THE TORONTO SUMMIT

The site of this year's "Canadian" Summit will be the Metropolitan Toronto Convention Centre, literally in the shadow of the CN Tower. In addition to official delegations, Canada is expecting that some 4 000 representatives of the national and international media will be at the summit to provide news coverage for the world. Toronto will thus be the focus of world attention for two and a half days this June.