

Mr. Joyal also visited a number of projects being undertaken by Canadian firms, including a training centre for mechanics and operators which also includes the supply of road maintenance equipment as well as locomotives made in Canada. At the end of his stay, Mr. Joyal was planning to visit the city of Foumban.

The chairmen for the two delegations had discussions on general bilateral relations between Canada and Cameroon and reviewed the results of development cooperation and commercial and cultural exchanges since the inter-governmental meetings of July 1979.

The chairmen also noted with satisfaction the increase in cooperation between the two countries, which is taking place in an atmosphere of mutual understanding and friendship. Reference was made to their common willingness to identify, to each country's benefit, the objectives of development cooperation in the economic and cultural spheres in the context of the Cameroonian 5th Five Year Plan and the interests and priorities of Canada so that further, substantial progress in areas of common interest can be realized.

The Canadian side presented a review of the programme of the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), the mechanisms and institutions to execute various projects and programmes and the delineation of CIDA activities in sectors which correspond to the needs and planning of the Cameroonian Government. The principal areas of intervention of CIDA are the rural development and human resources sectors. Provision has been made for certain special mechanisms which include a line of credit.

For its part, the Cameroonian side presented the major directions and strategy of the Cameroonian 5th Five Year Plan, and identified sectors and projects for which they wish to receive Canadian assistance. Following these discussions, the two delegations agreed on the sectors of intervention and the priority projects which will be subject to further study and planning so that these development cooperation programmes can be brought to fruition.