

While the two remaining republics, Serbia and Montenegro, have proclaimed a new union, Canada believes that the question of the continuity of Yugoslavia must be negotiated among the parties that made up the former Yugoslav republic.

Canada, along with other Western countries, has urged the Yugoslav Army, Serbia and Croatia to stop interference in the conflict in Bosnia-Herzegovina and has condemned Serbian aggression in the country. Canada supported the temporary suspension of Yugoslavia from the CSCE. Trade sanctions are in place, and further measures are under consideration.

Canada will participate in the conference, called by the British Prime Minister for the second half of August in London to discuss the issues at stake in this tragic crisis and will work toward resolving them.

Humanitarian Aid

To date, Canada has contributed \$5.25 million to international appeals for humanitarian assistance for the victims of the conflict.

- In the fall of 1991, the Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, announced a contribution of \$1.25 million to the Canadian Red Cross Society (CRCS) for the purchase and delivery of emergency relief and medical supplies from Canada to support the activities of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in the former Yugoslavia. Canadian Forces aircraft airlifted the supplies, and distribution took place in Croatia and other parts of the former Yugoslavia.
- In January 1992, Mrs. McDougall announced a contribution of \$1 million for the joint appeal by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the World Health Organization (WHO) for assistance to the victims of the conflict.
- In June, Canada contributed an additional \$3 million in response to Red Cross and UN appeals. The money was distributed to UNHCR, UNICEF, WHO, the Canadian Red Cross and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent societies to support the purchase and delivery of food and medical supplies, and to assist refugees and displaced persons.
- Canada is also participating in the international airlift to the besieged city of Sarajevo. Since the start of the airlift on July 3, a Canadian Armed Forces Hercules C-130 transport airplane has conducted more than 30 relief flights to Sarajevo.

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