

Accepted in principle

Canada will endeavor to ensure that human rights issues are given due consideration in the activities of IFIs. In countries where the human rights situation is particularly troubling, Canada will use its influence to ensure that greater scrutiny is used in the development of country program strategies, the selection and development of projects and the concentration of efforts to assist disadvantaged groups.

RECOMMENDATION

- 3.4 The Committee recommends that the International Institute of Human Rights and Democratic Development carry out its distinct mandate as an independent, free-standing body working closely with Canadian human rights groups and non-governmental organizations.

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- 3.5 The Committee recommends that military exports from Canada be prohibited under the Export and Import Permits Act to any country that has been declared ineligible for government-to-government aid on human rights grounds.

Accepted in part

The Government has long been concerned about the relationship between military exports and respect for human rights. In its policy statement of September 10, 1986, the Government announced new policy guidelines for the export of military equipment to countries whose governments have a persistent record of serious violations of human rights. The Department of External Affairs, on behalf of the Government, will continue to control closely the export of military goods and technology to such countries, if it can be demonstrated that there is a reasonable risk that the goods might be used against the civilian population.