



# **Hot Button issues in Canadian Foreign Policy since September 11, 2001**

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### **Background Materials**

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**Econiche House: 32 River Road, Cantley, Quebec J8Y 3A1**

**Conference Chair: Peggy Mason**

**Rapporteurs: Tim Creery, Arch MacKenzie**

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### **Panel 1 – Environmentally Sustainable Development – International Commitment and Implementation. Are we going forward?**

- Commentary – Bruce Pardy (environmental law, Queen's University)  
CBC Radio 1 Aug. 29, 2002  
<http://cbc.ca/insite/COMMENTARY/2002/8/29.html>
- Johannesburg conference web site <http://www.johannesburgsummit.org/>
- Isuma (a journal of Canadian policy research on sustainable development) with articles by Maurice Strong, Gro Harlem Brundtland, Don Johnston, David Runnals, David McGuinty, Simon Dalby and various others.
- [Sustainable Development is a hoax: We cannot have it all - Jeremy Seabrook](#) (PDF), The Guardian, Monday August 5, 2002
- [Beyond the Promise Land](#) – opinion article by Elizabeth Dowdeswell  
Ottawa Citizen Mon. Aug. 26
- [Sustainable Development Online](#)
- <http://www.worldviewofglobalwarming.org/>

- <http://www.mapcruzin.com/globalchange21/> An amazing (and frightening) global photographic tour of the effects of climate change by Gary Braasch

## **Panel 2 – Trade and Global Equity- New Partnerships or Recolonization?**

## **Panel 3 – Redefining National and International Security: Canadian Foreign Policy at another crossroads or a steadily narrowing bicycle path?**

### Discussion Group 1 – Canadian Defence Policy

- Canada in the World - Government Statement on Foreign Policy Government Statement 1995 <http://www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca> (See Foreign Policy/Canadian Foreign Policy/Canada in the World)
- 1994 Defence White Paper Department of National Defence 1994 <http://www.dnd.ca>
- Canadian Security and Military Preparedness Report of the Standing Senate Committee on National Security and Defence February 2002 <http://www.parl.gc.ca/defence.asp>
- Facing Our Responsibilities - The State of Readiness of the Canadian Forces Report of the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs (SCONDVA) May 2002 (See Committee Business, Committee Reports, SCONDVA) (Introduction and Chapters 1 and 2 only) [www.parl.gc.ca](http://www.parl.gc.ca)
- Caught in the Middle: An Assessment of the Operational Readiness of the Canadian Forces Conference of Defence Associations September 2001 [www.cda-cdai.ca](http://www.cda-cdai.ca) (then click CF Opreadiness)
- To Secure a Nation - Canadian Defence and Security in the 21st Century Council on Canadian Security November 2001 <http://www.ccs21.org> (Part 1 only)
- The Future of Canadian Security and Defence Policy: NGO's, Public Consultations and the Security Policy Process Dennis Stairs Dalhousie University <http://www.ccs21.org>(See Research Papers)
- Who Owns Water?  
by Maude Barlow and Tony Clarke  
The Nation, Sept. 2, 2002  
<http://www.thenation.com> - search "Who Owns Water"

### Discussion Group 2 - Canadian Water Policy

- Overcoming Water Scarcity and Quality Constraints, Ruth Meinzen-Dick and Mark W. Rosegrant editors – Oct. 2001 [www.ifpri.org](http://www.ifpri.org)
- Walkerton Inquiry report at [www.walkertoninquiry.com](http://www.walkertoninquiry.com) Part 2 raises issues about policy related to watershed management and general water management in Canada - roles and responsibilities of federal, provincial and municipal governments. The themes he suggests are watershed

management, implementation, and the roles and responsibilities of various levels of gov't.

- Freshwater Chapter of the UNEP Report on North America's Environment: A Thirty-Year State of the Environment and Policy Retrospective prepared by the Commission for Environmental Cooperation, International Institute for Sustainable Development and the World Resources Institute. <http://www.rona.unep.org/>
- summary of the North Battleford Commission of Inquiry Report <http://www.northbattlefordwaterinquiry.ca/>
- WORLD RIVERS REVIEW June 2002 [www.irn.org](http://www.irn.org) In particular, two articles: Intricate, elegant, delicate: the inner workings of healthy rivers, by Brian Moss Selling out Canada's rivers by Will Braun. <http://www.irn.org/pubs/wrr/>

### **Discussion Group 3 – Canadian Anti-Terrorism Legislation**

- Homeland Defense and Democratic Liberties: An American Balance in Danger? by Christopher Connell <http://www.carnegie.org/sub/pubs/homeland.html>
- Canadian Civil Liberties Association <http://www.ccla.org> particularly, reprinted Globe and Mail columns by the CCLA head, Alan Borovoy <http://www.ccla.org/pos/columns/> CCLA "Action" link <http://www.ccla.org/action/safeguards.shtml>
- September 11: The State of Civil Liberties One Year Later. Opinion article by Irwin Cotler, Ottawa Citizen September 14, 2002

### **Discussion Group 4 – International Criminal Court and the Future of International Law**

DFAIT ICC website:

- English: <http://www.icc.gc.ca>
- French: <http://www.cpi.gc.ca>