



Canada and the Developing World: Meeting our Responsibilities

Group of 78 Annual Policy Conference 2003

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

September 19 - 21, 2003

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

Conference Chair: Ross Francis.

Rapporteurs: Geoffrey Pearson, Tim Creery, Arch MacKenzie.

Friday, September 19

1800 Cash bar

1830 Dinner

1930 Welcome from G78 chair Peggy Mason

Opening Address: Hon. Flora MacDonald; Former Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, President, World Federalists of Canada, Chair Partnership Africa Canada, Program advisor, CARE Canada

Saturday, September 20

900 Panel - Canada's Development Assistance Programme: Past and Future
Chair: Steve Mason

- George W. Shaw (Director General, Communications Branch, Canadian International Development Agency)
- Nancy Gordon (Senior Vice-President, CARE Canada)

1030 Break

1045 Panel - Canada and the World Trade Organization: A Development

Agenda

Chair: Ross Francis

- John Curtis (Senior Policy Adviser and Coordinator for Trade and Economic Policy, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade)
- Ann Weston (Vice-President and Research Coordinator, The North-South Institute)

1215 Lunch

1330 Discussion Groups:

1. Food Security and Agricultural Development: Ending Developed Country Subsidies
Chair: Dwight Fulford
Presenter: Michael Bassett (Program Officer, Policy Team, Canadian Council for International Cooperation)

2. Health Issues in the Third World - AIDS, Malaria, TB
Chair: Leslie McWhinnie
Presenter: Janet Hatcher-Roberts (Executive Director, Canadian Society for International Health)

3. The Role of NGOs
Chair: Penny Sanger
Presenter: Barbara Shenstone (Middle East policy advisor, Care Canada)

1545 Break

1600 Panel - Conflict Resolution and Peacebuilding under a Pax Americana:
What should Canada do?
Chair: Geoffrey Pearson

- Peggy Mason (Senior Fellow, Norman Paterson School of International Affairs. Former Canadian Ambassador for Disarmament)
- Colonel (ret'd) Douglas A. Fraser (formerly, Canadian Military Advisor to the Canadian Permanent Mission in New York, Political Officer in the UN Department of Disarmament. January-March 2003, Chief of Office with UN weapons inspectors in Iraq)

1800 Cash bar

1830 Dinner

1930 Emergency Debate on possible Canadian Participation in the U.S. Ballistic Missile Defence System

Chair: Peter Meincke

- George Lindsey (retired defence scientist, Department of National Defence)
- Senator Doug Roche
- Ann Crosby (Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, York University)

Sunday, September 21

0900 Discussion group reports; summary and recommendations.

Chair: Ross Francis

1130 G78 Annual General Meeting

Chair: Peggy Mason

1300 Adjournment.

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