All Politics Are Global:
Canadian Foreign Policy
in an Inter-connected World

Group of 78 Annual Foreign Policy Conference

September 26– 28, 2008
Marriott Residence Inn, 161 Laurier Ave. West, Ottawa

Program

Conference Chair: Mr. Bill Whillans

Objectives:

- To provide an opportunity for further understanding and discussion of the interconnected nature of key elements of Canadian foreign policy
- To continue to build the substantive framework for a revitalized, long-term progressive Canadian foreign policy
- To examine the means by which civil society can help restore Canada’s position as a leader in the pursuit of peace and sustainable development

Friday, 26 September

7:00  Reception and cash bar - Sir Guy Carleton Room

7:30  Dinner
      Keynote Speaker: Ms. Carolyn McAskie
former United Nations Assistant Secretary- General for Peacebuilding Support

Address by Carolyn Mc Askie
Canada in the World: Image and Reality
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Saturday, 27 September

8:00 Registration and Continental Breakfast – Sir Guy Carleton Room

8:45 Opening and Welcome
Chair: Mr. Bill Whillans
Welcome: Mr. Richard Harmston, Chair, Group of 78

9:00 General Theme: PEACE, JUSTICE, SURVIVAL – The Interconnections
Panel: PEACE, SECURITY, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND GOVERNANCE

Moderator: Ms. Cristina Remond, Board member, Group of 78

Panelists: Ms. Peggy Mason, Chair, Peacebuild
Mr. Robert Miller, President and CEO, Parliamentary Centre

10:30 Coffee Break

10:45 Panel Discussion: DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMICS, TRADE & ENVIRONMENT

Moderator: Ms. Marjorie Robertson, Board member, Group of 78
Panelists: Mr. John Foster, Energy economist
Mr. Bill Morton, Senior Researcher, North-South Institute
Mr. Stephen Hazell, Executive Director, Sierra Club

12:30 Luncheon

Speaker: Professor Manfred Bienefeld,
School of Public Policy and Administration and the Institute
of Political Economy, Carleton University

**Topic:** Perspectives on the Present Economic Crisis

**Panel - DELIVERING THE GOODS: How we make it happen**

Panel members will examine issues of policy development, outreach, alliances, advocacy and communications.

**Panelists:** Mr. Ian Smillie, International development consultant  
Ms. Shirley Farlinger, Member, Science for Peace, Voice of Women, and Pugwash

**3:30 Tea Break**

**3:45 Concurrent Workshop Discussions on Foreign Policy - Sir Guy Carleton Room, Dorchester Room, Montcalm Room**

*To identify specific positions and measures as elements of a progressive foreign policy for Canada*

**5:30 Plenary: Wrap-up – Sir Guy Carleton Room**

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**Sunday, 28 September**

8:00 **Continental Breakfast - Sir Guy Carleton Room**
9:00 **Reports from Working Groups and Presentation of Resolutions**
10:30 **Concluding Remarks**  
Chair: Mr. Bill Whillans
10:45 **Break**
11:00  Group of 78 Annual General Meeting