



BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

GERRY BARR, C.M. PRESIDENT-CEO CANADIAN COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION

Gerry Barr is the President-CEO of the Canadian Council for International Co-operation (CCIC) a coalition representing about 100 leading Canadian non-governmental organizations engaged in international development.

Mr. Barr is a Member of the Order of Canada. He was awarded the Pearson Peace Medal in 1996 for his personal contribution to aid to the developing world, mediation in conflict, and peaceful change through international cooperation. In 2008, he received the World Peace Award from the World Federalist Movement – Canada.

He is the co-chair of Make Poverty History (Canada). MPH campaigns for More and Better Aid, Trade Justice, the cancellation of the debt of the world's poorest countries and - in Canada - the eradication of child poverty. Gerry Barr is also co-chair of the International Civil Liberties Monitoring Group – a national coalition organized to monitor, and promote public discussion of, the human rights implications of anti-terrorism laws in Canada and other countries.

Before joining CCIC in January of 2001, Gerry Barr was the Executive Director of the Steelworkers Humanity Fund, a labour-based non-governmental organization that supports projects undertaken by partner organizations in 13 countries and five regions of the world. He has served on several Boards and Steering Committees including those of the North South Institute (1994-2000), the Ethical Trading Action Group (1996-2000), the Horn of Africa Policy Group (1991-1993).

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