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Jimmy Carter and Gerald Ford lead a Q&A session with members of The Carter Center's Council of Freely Elected Heads of Government during a press conference at CNN in Atlanta.

COUNCIL MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS TO ADDRESS THE AMERICAS' AGENDA FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

A recent article in *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* concluded "the Carter Center conference on Latin America generated solid proposals to improve cooperation through the hemisphere."

In late April, former Presidents Jimmy Carter and Gerald Ford and the Center's Council of Freely Elected Heads of Government hosted a consultation to discuss relations in the Americas. Participants included Latin American and Caribbean leaders, U.S. officials, heads of international organizations, and members of the media. The Council, which includes current and former leaders from the Western Hemisphere, promotes democracy and economic cooperation in the region.

For two days, the "Agenda for the Americas for the 21st Century" focused on issues related to drugs, trade, arms sales, border disputes, social inequities,

and the spread of democracy. Through intensive discussions, participants sought to reinvigorate action toward goals outlined at the 1994 Summit of the Americas, hosted by the United States.

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Agriculture Program Helps Ethiopia Achieve Food Surplus

In 1985, the Live Aid concert alerted the international community to the plight of hundreds of thousands of starving Ethiopians.

Now, in a stunning turnaround, Ethiopia not only can feed its own people but also export food, due in large part to assistance from The Carter Center. Its

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