3. REDEFINING THE ROLE OF GOVERNMENT R&D

Discussions could be directed towards:

■ consideration of a more effective review mechanism for S&T issues within the committee system of the House of Commons

re-examination of current contracting-out policies within Federal R&D laboratories

■ facilitate the involvement of the private sector and Provincial governments in the management of Federal in-house R&D activities

determination of whether a need exists for a mechanism of assessment and approval of all Federal R&D activities

s encourage closer links between Federal and Provincial R&D efforts

4. RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF ACADEMIC R&D

Some issues in this area could be:

encourage joint academic/private activities

use Federal-Provincial agreements to support individual university specializations

use Government Support Programs to support individual university specializations