

recherche et du développement, domaines qui constituent des piliers de la politique industrielle, recherchée par les provinces.

(f) Le gouvernement fédéral devrait assurer sa collaboration avec les provinces sous la forme d'initiatives bilatérales.

Il s'agirait d'élaborer une politique de développement industriel bien adaptée aux besoins de certaines régions du pays, et compatible avec les objectifs nationaux, par exemple en matière de technologie d'extraction des combustibles fossiles en Alberta ou de construction maritime et de technologie océanique en Nouvelle-Ecosse.

L'étude du Conseil des Sciences du Canada s'ajoute au débat, tant public qu'entre et à l'intérieur des gouvernements, sur l'impératif et la nature d'une politique industrielle nationale.

#### GERMAN-CANADIAN COOPERATION IN THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY

A major development in Canada's aerospace industry has been the recent signing of a memorandum of understanding between the Canadian Government and the German firm Messerschmitt-Bolkow Blohm (MBB) for the investment of \$72,6 million towards the production in Canada of light twin-engine helicopters. MBB, the largest aerospace firm in the Federal Republic of Germany, will establish a new development and manufacturing facility at Fort Erie, Ontario, in joint venture with the Canadian firm Fleet Industries. Over 20 years, the project is expected to generate sales of approximately \$1.300 million and to create some 760 permanent jobs. The MBB project complements earlier agreements with Bell Helicopter Textron Incorporated and Pratt and Whitney Canada for the development and manufacture of the new STEP helicopter engines. The three investments together represent the Government's commitment to maintain a world-class aerospace industry in Canada.

Work on production of an improved light twin-engine helicopter will start early this year. The helicopter in question is a high performance aircraft which has a competitive advantage in certain regional and specialized applications. At the same time, research and development work will begin on major component improvements, not only for this model but also for models currently being produced in Germany. MBB will use the Canadian designed and built Pratt and Whitney STEP engine in its next generation of Canadian-manufactured helicopters, and it proposes to incorporate Pratt and Whitney's PT6 engine in a new international programme being undertaken from its headquarters in Germany.

Messerschmitt-Bolkow Blohm's joint venture arrangement with Fleet Industries is the first manufacturing initiative it has undertaken in North or South America. MBB has longstanding experience in international cooperation programmes, with successful helicopter ventures in Spain, Japan, Indonesia, and the Philippines. The new project may be the beginning of a long relationship with Canadian industry. The company intends to explore similar cooperative arrangements with Canadian firms in such fields as avionics, defence and transportation systems, and space, marine and composite material technology.

#### LE MULTICULTURALISME: LES GRECS AU CANADA

L'immigration grecque au Canada commença à devenir importante peu avant la Première Guerre mondiale. En 1911, 3.650 immigrants grecs étaient établis au Canada, pour la plupart à Montréal, Toronto, Québec et Halifax. Interrompue durant les années 1941 à 1945,