c) the development of a preliminary departmental evaluation plan, based partly on the results of the evaluability assessments and partly on other considerations such as relative management priorities, size of program and size of evaluation.

This report describes the process followed during the course of this study; it also presents the results of the evaluability assessments and a draft evaluation plan. Certain relevant issues such as jurisdiction and alternative approaches to developing the evaluation plan are also discussed.

Two additional tasks identified in this plan have not yet commenced; these represent what might be considered a second stage of development. The first refers to the periodic revision and update of the Evaluation Plan as more information is obtained through further evaluability assessments, or as priorities and/or available resources change. The second task refers to conducting the first two or three actual evaluations, in order to obtain a minimum of "corporate" practical experience in the evaluation function. Subject to the approval of the Evaluation and Audit Committee, the first evaluation is expected to begin in March or April, 1980.