

should, however, be made for emergency oral instructions. In such circumstances there should be an obligation on the Minister to confirm the instructions so given in writing within 48 hours. The amendment should also require that all instructions be termed 'directions' and be forwarded to SIRC.

- 49) The Committee recommends that the *CSIS Act* be amended to require the Minister to table a report in Parliament at least once each fiscal year concerning the status of written directions provided to the Service and that the Standing Committee to which it is referred consider the report in an *in camera* session.
- 50) The Committee recommends that the limits prescribed by section 19 of the *CSIS Act* apply equally to the Solicitor General and to all officials and exempt staff in the Ministry of the Solicitor General having access to information obtained by CSIS in the performance of its duties and functions.
- 51) The Committee recommends that section 19(2)(d) of the *CSIS Act* be amended to permit disclosures to members of the Senate and the House of Commons on the same basis as to ministers of the Crown and to a "person in the public service of Canada".
- 52) The Committee recommends that section 38(a)(ii) of the *CSIS Act* be amended to require SIRC to review ministerial directions, not only with a view to confirming compliance, but also to establish whether the directions provide adequate and appropriate instructions to the Service.
- 53) The Committee recommends that the *Security Offences Act* not be incorporated into the *Criminal Code*.
- 54) The Committee recommends that section 5 of the *Security Offences Act* be amended so that a copy of each *fiat* issued is referred to SIRC.
- 55) The Committee recommends that the federal government continue to pursue, as a matter of urgency, a policing agreement with the Province of Quebec, along the lines of that with the Province of Ontario.
- 56) The Committee recommends that Section 6(2) of the *Security Offences Act* be amended to require the Solicitor General of Canada 1) to lay before Parliament a copy of every arrangement made under this subsection and 2) to provide the Security Intelligence Review Committee with a copy of each such arrangement.
- 57) The Committee recommends that the *Security Offences Act* be amended to include a section that permits the Government of Canada to establish a Special Emergency Response Team (SERT).