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QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT OF EXPORT PROMOTION PROGRAM AT MISSIONS ABROAD FOR FISCAL YEAR 87 FORECAST OF KEY ACTIVITIES AND ANTICIPATED RESULTS STATED IN MISSION'S ANNUAL PLAN

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PLANNING:

ACTIVITIES PROPOSED IN POST PLAN:

ANTICIPATED RESULTS:

TELECOMMUNICATIONS (INC SPACE)

DATA CAN EFT/POS MISSION.

COMPILE REVIEW OF FORECASTED DEVELOPMENTS BY TELECOM AUSTRALIA AND OTC FOR DISTRIBUTION TO CANADIAN COMPANIES.

COMPUTERS, SOFTWARE & SYSTEMS

FOLLOW UP TO PROPOSED EFT/POS DATA COMMUNICATIONS MISSION.

ENCOURAGE MORE JOINT VENTURE ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN CANADIAN AND AUSTRALIAN SOFTWARE HOUSES.

PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR CDN COMPANIES TO BID ON TELECOM AUSTRALIA AND OTC PROJECTS.

INCREASE CANADIAN CAPABILITY IN AUSTRALIAN AND COPERATE WITH AUSTRALIA ON THIRD COUNTRY PROJECTS.

TRACKING:

ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN QUARTER:

QUARTER: 1 -----

QUARTER: 2 ----

QUARTER: 3 COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT MISSION TO AUSTRALIA

QUARTER: 3 ONTARIO HIGH TECH MISSION - OCTOBER 1987

QUARTER: 4 ONTARIO TRADE MISSION. COGNOS LIMITED.

QUARTER: 4 QUEBEC TRADE MISSION.

QUARTERLY RESULTS REPORTED:

MISSION TOOK PLACE IN LATE NOV/DEC WITH EMPHASIS ON BOTH COMMUNICATIONS & COMPUTERS. MISSION YIELDED GOOD OPPORTUNITIES FOR MOST COMPANIES INVOLVED.

MISSION WAS VERY DISAPPOINTING FROM BOTH ORGANI-SATIONAL & CONTENT POINT OF VIEWS. HIGH TECH LA-BEL WAS MISNOMER FOR WHAT WAS VERY GENERAL MISS. RESULTS WERE MIXED INDICATING MORE PLANNING RE-QUIRED FOR CHOICE OF FUTURE MISSION PARTICIPANTS

PARTICIPANTS MET WITH POTENTIAL REP/END USERS. UTLAS INTL HAS INDICATED POTENTIAL BUSINESS OF APPROX. CAD\$1.2M. HOSTED SEMINAR/RECEPTION TO INTRODUCE COGNOS STAFF (AUSTRALIAN AND CDN BASED) TO POTENTIAL END USERS.

PARTICIPANTS MET WITH POTENTIAL REPRESENTATIVES AND END USERS. MISSION WAS LED BY ADM COMMERCE EXTERIEURE WHICH INCREASED MISSION'S CREDIBILITY THROUGH MEETINGS WITH KEY BUSINESS OFFICIALS/GROUP IE AUSTRALIAN CHAMBER OF MANUFACTURERS.