

24. The Committee further recommends that the operational departments be encouraged to develop ten to fifteen-year plans in consultation with industry for mission-oriented research and development necessary to meet their operational procurement needs.
25. The Committee recommends that the federal government facilitate technology transfer throughout the country by such means as a National Technology Information Network; enhanced technological personnel exchange among government, industry and the universities; government-industry sponsored technology centres; etc.
26. The Committee recommends that the federal government encourage efforts to develop community economic development strategies designed to enhance the application of science and technology by local business and industry.
27. The Committee recommends that, to assist entrepreneurs in remote and northern communities, the federal government encourage the development of scientific and technical skills within the local labour force, and that it strengthen and broaden the IRAP network, especially in the North.
28. The Committee recommends that the federal government provide greater opportunity for residents of northern communities to participate actively and to contribute their knowledge in the formulation of national science policy and in the elaboration of any guidelines regarding the adoption of technologies in the North.
29. The Committee believes that the technologies developed by northern entrepreneurs require greater federal support during the commercialization process. The Committee recommends that the government assist the northern business community in developing export markets for their technology. Special attention should be paid to the newly developing opportunities in Siberia.
30. The Committee recommends that the government re-examine the process for application of industrial and government imposed regulatory standards to ensure that their application does not pose an unwarranted barrier to the timely marketing of new products.
31. In light of the numerous problems that technology companies face in raising venture capital, the Committee recommends that the federal government undertake a study of the venture capital market to determine ways of improving access to this market for new technology companies.