

Last year the total cost of programs pumping government money into that sector exceeded 25 billion dollars. These programs varied from commodity.

The defense budget is another area involving massive assistance to specific industries. Government expenditures on R and D have been important in giving U.S. industry its competitive edge in such fields as aeronautics, communications and computers, not to mention armaments. As to your shipping industry, the Jones Act keeps it afloat. And your states and municipalities provide tax holidays and industrial parks that also constitute obvious subsidies.

I am not suggesting that the United States subsidizes more than Canada. Frankly, I don't know which of us subsidizes more. Nor am I suggesting that your subsidies are not justified by political, security, economic or social factors. My only point is that the