- 15. The Committee recommends that governments seek to eliminate artificial barriers that prevent this country from utilizing the skills of landed immigrants.
- 16. The Committee recommends that the federal government be indemnified for the sale of or transfer to non-indigenous firms of any intellectual property resulting from direct federal contributions to research and development.
- 17. The Committee recommends that the federal government retain ownership of intellectual property developed or fully funded by it and that it develop clear guidelines for the management and control of intellectual property rights.
- 18. The Committee recommends that the federal government's financial support for industrial research and development be maintained at a level of 25% of total business expenditure on research and development.
- 19. In the face of increasing global competition that is based on technological advancements, the Committee recommends that the federal government encourage the development of greater scientific, technological and marketing skills within the industrial sector of Canada.
- 20. The Committee recommends that the federal government continue to support the creation of industrial pre-competitive research consortia and recommends that it eliminate tax provisions that hinder the financial viability of such consortia.
- 21. The Committee recommends that the federal government give consideration to the feasibility of establishing joint government/industry consortia to enhance the international marketing capabilities of small and mediumsized, indigenous, high-value-added industrial firms.
- 22. The Committee recommends that the federal government expand the mandate of its procurement policy to include a greater support of industrial science and technology activities, the development of innovation in the economy and of new business formation, and the promotion of greater regional equity in the country.
- 23. The Committee recommends that the federal government create a Council on Procurement to support enabling technology development by indigenous firms in areas of preferential Canadian technological strength where government purchasing could foster the development of world-class Canadian products.