

The Committee believes that the Space Program budget should be increased by approximately 25%, to effect a better balance of components (as recommended earlier) and more appropriate funding levels for individual activities. The Committee believes that an increase in funding for the Space Program is essentially an investment in Canada's economy of the 21st century and can readily be defended on that basis.

### Recommendation 12

**The Committee recommends that funding for Canada's Space Program should be increased to approximately \$200 million per year (1987 \$) for each of the next five years.**

In Table 1, below, we present a summary of cash flows to each of the components of the Space Program, necessary to carry out the various activities in the balanced program recommended earlier. These cash flows are based on funding information supplied to the Committee by federal departments and agencies during the course of our study.

TABLE 1  
CANADIAN SPACE PROGRAM  
SUGGESTED CASH ALLOCATIONS  
1987/88 — 1991/92  
(\$ million 1987)

Program Component	1st year	2nd year	3rd year	4th year	5th year	Totals
Space Station	21	31	43	48	50	193
RADARSAT (modified)(1)	38	42	46	50	54	230
Remote Sensing	38	40	18	18	18	132
Communications (2)	34	20	20	10	6	90
Space Science (3)	30	30	30	30	30	150
Space Technology (4)	30	30	30	30	30	150
Other (5)	12	12	12	12	12	60
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1,005</b>

(1) Funding for RADARSAT not included in 1986 Space Plan.

(2) Decreasing support with time.

(3) Includes the funding for the Space Station User Development Program.

(4) Includes sensor development, new software, etc.

(5) Includes expenditures for European Space Agency and the Canadian Astronaut Program.

## D. The Canadian Space Agency

The Federal Government's Space Program is presently coordinated by the Interdepartmental Committee on Space (ICS). We have no wish to denigrate or criticize the efforts and dedication of the members of the ICS, but that body has lacked decision-making and funding authority over the departmental and agency programs represented by its members. The Aerospace Industries Association of Canada (AIAC) has commented on the shortcomings of the ICS: