

APPENDIX "4"

Letter to NON-GOV. ORGANIZ. that presented a brief at previous Committee hearing

14 October 1975

Dear X

Re: Forthcoming activities planned
by the Canadian Senate Special
Committee on Science Policy

Your organization greatly helped the Senate Special Committee on Science Policy by presenting a brief some years ago. You will undoubtedly be interested to know that the Committee submitted a report to the Senate on July 10, 1975, and then recommended that "it be authorized to consider and report on Canadian government and other expenditures on scientific activities and matters related thereto". This recommendation was approved on July 24, 1975.

A copy of the Committee's report to the Senate is attached herewith. You will see that the Committee intends to resume its "watchdog role" in three specific areas:

1. The futures research programs being carried out within government departments and agencies. We intend to concentrate our attention (i) on the futures research role being developed by the Institute for Research on Public Policy and (ii) on the need for coordinated national networks of futures research and information.
2. A systematic review of the implementation of the recommendations contained in the Committee's report on science policy, A Science Policy for Canada (see especially Volume 2, "Targets and Strategies for the Seventies", and Volume 3, "A Government Organization for the Seventies"); a list of recommendations is attached to this letter.