

In this regard, it was recommended that Canada disengage itself from the integrated defence commitment of NORAD by assuming the complete bill for the Canadian portion of the North Warning System. Canada could then establish its own parameters on policy and doctrine and would send a clear signal to the U.S. that it would not be dragged into SDI. It was suggested that the present defence budget of \$9 billion would not give Canada the options it needed in order to influence adequately the U.S. and to effectively criticise and distance itself from SDI. Thus the case was made for increased defence spending and a new defence policy.

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