The constraints affecting a successful completion of the project would be slow or frozen staffing of the Projects Officer position, other priorities for which the project officer and Director are responsible and lack of support by senior management. The consequences of delaying the project will be a continuation of the current situation which lacks direction, focus and central control.

The completion of this project is very much dependant on available staff and priorities within MGT and the Department. One other similar exercise in this Department took two years in a unit that had no operational responsibilities. We find these demands bear heavily on staff time and resources totally beyond divisional control.

MAJOR STEPS AND TIMING:	JanApr./84
1. Consultations	May-June/84
2. Drafting of Paper	Sept./84
3. Approval by Executive Committee	
4. Dissemination of MGT Mandate Document	Oct./84 Sept./85
5. Review & revision if necessary	Sept./05

RESOURCE SUMMARY: (\$000)

A project officer is needed and team members from MGT. The Division has a "Projects" officer position to which this project could be assigned if staffing approval were granted.

Dollars include salary, operating and capital.

	83/84		84/85		85/86		TO COMPLETE		TOTAL PROJECT		Future	
	83/ PY	\$	PY	\$	PY	\$	PY	\$	PY	\$	PY	<u>\$</u>
Existing												
New			.6	25.0					.6	25.0		
Total Direct Costs			.6	25.0					.6	25.0		
Indirect Costs			.25	25.0					.25	25.0		

An approval to staff the Projects Officer position is required so that the project can be carried out.

- A. The benefit of a telecommunications policy would be that MGT would have a mandate and a sense of purpose and a direction.
- B. The Department would be able to measure MGT's performance.
- C. There would be a departmental focus for telecommunications technology and a responsibility and resource centre for the new world of "informatics".
- D. Economies of scale would be immediately appreciated by establishing conformity, avoiding duplication, consolidating services, etc.