

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS



Recommendation 1

The Committee recommends that Government of Canada bring DIAND's review commenced in 1975 of the on-reserve Housing Program to an immediate conclusion and present recommendations on a new on-reserve housing policy to Cabinet for consideration. The views of Aboriginal groups, including the views of the Assembly of First Nations, and this report of the Standing Committee should be carefully taken into account by the Government of Canada in the formulation of a new on-reserve housing policy. (Chapter 4)

Recommendation 2

The Committee recommends that the government deliver all of its funding for Aboriginal housing through one department or agency. (Chapter 4)

Recommendation 3

The Committee recommends that the Government of Canada transfer, in consultation with Aboriginal people, control of housing along with sufficient resources to Aboriginal people in order to ensure that there is greater community control over the development and delivery of housing programs. Aboriginal people themselves should determine whether the appropriate delivery structures should be developed at the local, tribal council, regional, territorial, or national levels. (Chapter 4)

Responsibilities of delivery organizations could include:

- the development of Aboriginal lending institutions
- the development of Aboriginal Insurance Companies
- the development of Aboriginal controlled housing corporations
- the development of Aboriginal controlled housing construction corporations