

6. The Committee recommends that the government give consideration to the advisability of expanding the Networks of Centres of Excellence program to ensure that productive, established centres can be maintained and that newly proposed centres pursuing work in Canada's strategic interest will not be denied funding.
7. The Committee recommends that the federal government respond publicly to Science Council of Canada reports within 90 days of their release.
8. The Committee recommends that the reports of the National Advisory Board on Science and Technology be tabled in the House of Commons and referred to the appropriate House of Commons Standing Committee for consideration. The principal conclusions and recommendations of NABST reports should be widely publicized.
9. The Committee recommends that the federal government maintain a primary role in those fields of basic research that cannot be fully maintained by the university community and in those fields of basic research of strategic importance to the nation.
10. The Committee recommends that the federal government establish a secretariat within the Privy Council Office to coordinate federal science policy and related resource allocation across departments.
11. The Committee believes that the current provisions in the *Income Tax Act* create unnecessary difficulties for scientific research by industry. The Committee therefore recommends a review of those sections of the Act that affect science and technology activities in industry; in particular a re-examination of the definitions of qualified research and development activities is needed.
12. The Committee recommends the formation of an autonomous National Council on Education to perform research and provide policy advice on educational issues. The Council should be funded by all levels of government and should work closely with industry and labour organizations.
13. The Committee recommends that the Canada Scholarships Program be accorded permanent status.
14. The Committee recommends that the government explore new initiatives to encourage science education at all levels.