

largest number of immigrant children, observed, 40 per cent of all immigrants are children, many of them accustomed to different cultures and languages than those found in Canada. There are already some shared-cost language programs for adults. In view of the special needs of many immigrant children, the Committee supports the principle of a federal contribution to the extra cost of educating immigrant children who require special training in English or French or other catch-up programs, providing these funds are clearly earmarked for the school systems.

—Attention was also directed to the particular plight of immigrant women, and especially wives and mothers. When they are not in the work force they have little opportunity to learn the language and make personal contacts, advantages enjoyed by their husbands and their school-aged and working children. Many of them remain in the home isolated by language differences, and can become estranged from the community and even from their own families. It was pointed out that language training is the single most important need of these women. The Committee is aware that federal funds are made available to the provinces to finance courses organized through the adult education division of the schools. But Committee members gained the impression that not enough attention has been paid to this program by the responsible authorities and recommends that it be reviewed.

—A special problem brought to the attention of the Committee was the difficulty faced by immigrants from different cultures in coping with the Canadian legal system. Professor Frederick Zemans of Osgoode Hall and the Director of the Parkdale Community Legal Services that immigrants often need special help with said consumer and tenant rights, and with women's rights in marriage breakdown situations. The Committee agrees with a Toronto lawyer who suggested that licensed paralegal personnel should be trained to work in immigrant communities because "immigration consultants", frequently untrained travel agents, now