continue to favour young applicants, and therefore the Committee recommends no change in the present practice of awarding points on this criterion.

Language

The allocation of five points for competence in one or the other of Canada's official languages should be maintained....

The allocation of ten points for an applicant speaking both official languages should be maintained, reinforcing the fact that Canada is a bilingual country.

Relative in Canada

To compensate for its proposal to drop the nominated class, the Committee recommends that prospective immigrants who have a relative of a certain degree of kinship in Canada be given ten points if the relative is a Canadian citizen, and five points if the relative is a landed immigrant....

The Committee would allot five or ten points (as the case may be) to an applicant with any of the following relatives in Canada: a son or daughter, a brother or sister, a parent or grandparent, a niece or nephew, an uncle or aunt, or a grandson or granddaughter....

Arranged employment

Because an arranged job is beneficial to both the immigrant and the employer, the Committee recommends that ten points continue to be awarded to a person who has obtained a job before departure....

The Committee further recommends that in times of high unemployment in Canada, it should automatically become mandatory that an independent immigrant have either an arranged job or the skills required in a designated occupation....

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Refugees

The Committee feels that a clear statement of refugee policy is necessary....

The Committee regards the United Nations definition of "refugee" as too narrow and not adequate to accommodate the present day variety of circumstances and emergencies confronting citizens of many countries. One difficulty is the stipulation that the person be outside his country to qualify as a refugee. Canada has eased this requirement to accommodate Chilians and Ugandans, but the Committee sees a need for firm criteria to reflect contemporary refugee situations in which persons must leave their home countries because they have been stripped of citizenship and denied the right to remain. The definition should also include persons living in their homeland who face persecution or punishment for political reasons, provided their governments allow them to leave.

In brief, the definition of refugee should not be so broad as to undermine the humanitarian principles to which Canada holds, nor so narrow that government cannot cope within the Act with the new emergencies that require a fast and efficient response....

Subversives

... The Committee believes there is a need for careful definition so as not to exclude law-abiding advocates of extreme views, and with this in mind commends the definition of subversive activity found in the Official Secrets Act which reads as follows: (a) Espionage or sabotage; (b) foreign intelligence activities directed toward gathering intelligence information relating to Canada; (c) activities directed toward accomplishing governmental change within Canada or elsewhere by force or violence or any criminal means; (d) activities by a foreign power directed to actual or potential attack or other hostile acts against Canada; or (e) activities of a foreign terrorist group directed toward the commission of terrorist acts in or against Canada.

The Committee suggests that international terrorism be added to this list....

Temporary workers

The Committee concluded that, when filling labour needs for which no Canadians are available, or which Canadians are demonstrably not willing to meet, either now or in the reasonably foreseeable future, the emphasis should always be placed on immigration. It recommends that: foreign workers be recruited only for jobs that are genuinely temporary in nature...; extensions to work permits be granted only in exceptional circumstances; more regular and thorough inspection and enforcement of wages and working conditions be carried out in areas under the Federal Government's jurisdiction and that provincial governments be encouraged to do the same in their jurisdictions....

With regard to visitors the Committee agreed with the sentiment expressed by a study for the Law Reform Commission that "visitors should visit, not work" and recommends that no one be permitted to apply for work permits from within Canada. This would discourage visitors coming in the hope of finding work and staying....

...For those temporary workers who desire to become landed immigrants the Committee recommends that when being evaluated abroad their past success in Canada be given recognition in points assigned for "personal assessment". However, it is opposed to allowing temporary workers to apply for landed immigrant status while in Canada....

Foreign students

The Committee agrees that Canada should continue to welcome foreign students....

...The Committee believes that energetic action is required to combat abuses, and to this end recommends that all students be required to obtain valid student visas before arriving in Canada....

The Committee believes that there is need for closer scrutiny of colleges and schools accepting foreign students since there is evidence that some institutions are being used simply as a device for gaining entry to Canada. The Committee also suspects that some schools are attractive less for the specialized training which they offer - hairdressing is a case in point - than for the opportunity to work legally or illegally in Canada. The Committee recommends that the Federal Government seek the co-operation of the provincial governments in devising ways to prevent these and similar abuses....