

6. *Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) Aircraft.* AWACS aircraft have been designated from existing USAF resources to be made available in an emergency to the Commander-in-Chief North American Aerospace Defence Command. Canadian participation as crew members on United States AWACS aircraft will be coordinated by the HQ USAF and NDHQ, taking into account United States national requirements, requirements for NORAD, and USAF crew training capability.

7. *Coastal Radars.* The adequacy of the OTH-B radar system to provide coverage of Canadian and United States coastal airspace and to provide for detection, tracking, and identification which support tactical action, will be determined jointly, on advice of CINCNORAD. Any requirement for full or partial deployment of supplementary LRRs and communications on the east and west coasts of Canada and the Alaska panhandle will be determined as soon as possible following agreement by the parties that adequate operational testing of the OTH-B system has been completed.

8. *Forward Operating Locations/Dispersed Operating Bases (FOLs/DOBs).* Steps will be taken to implement minimum essential upgrades at selected northern contingency locations, to allow fighter and AWACS operations. These locations will be sited in accordance with approved NORAD operational plans to take advantage of the increased surveillance coverage provided by the modernized warning system. Minimum essential upgrades include infrastructure, e.g., alert hangars, POL storage, missile and ammunition storage, and other necessary airfield upgrades. Canada will carry out the design, construction, contracting, and management efforts associated with these sites. Conclusion of requirements definition and appropriation approvals is targeted for December 1985. Design work will commence in 1986 and construction in 1988. Each country will be responsible for providing deployment kits and support packages associated with their own aircraft.

9. *Interoperability and Connectivity.* Requirements must be established and communications resources provided to ensure total connectivity and interoperability of the component systems contributing to North American air defence modernization.

a. North American air defence modernization component systems generate interoperability and connectivity requirements that include:

- (1) interfacing OTH-B radar system with the Region Operations Control Centers (ROCCs);
- (2) a data interface between ROCCs and AWACS;