

## 8.3 Paxsat Program Plan (Continued)

## (c) Phase C - Detailed Design and Development

During this phase, all system elements are designed and preliminarily tested. In the case of the space segment, Phase C is usually considered to include all the necessary and/or subsystem spacecraft qualification testing. For the ground system components, Phase C encompasses system integration and testing at the manufacturers's sites, prior to shipment to the operational site.

## (d) <u>Phase D - Production</u>

This is the final integration and test phase. The flight spacecraft is assembled, tested, shipped to the launch pad, and mated to the booster and the ground station hardware and software are integrated and tested on site.

The boundary between phases C and D is not well defined in general, since they must often overlap to meet program schedule constraints. While this does increase risk somewhat, it is seldom a real difficulty if sufficient attention is paid to the programmatics from the start. For this reason, phases C and D are often combined into one joint phase. This has been done for some of the Paxsat elements.

Figure 8-2 defines a possible program schedule for the Paxsat system. The schedule is divided into three main sections:

## (a) <u>Central Headquarters</u>

The Central Headquarters implementation plan schedules the development of the Treaty Governing Body Office, and the Intelligence Interpretation Center. The relationship of the Central Headquarters to the other project elements is based upon the following proposition, that a core team of capable people would be assembled to serve as the project management office for the duration of Paxsat system development. This core of individuals would form the initial Managing Office