between NEC and Mitsui to produce lithium batteries in Vancouver. The globalization of Japanese firms will c ontinue to drive major outflows of direct investment, particularly in manufacturing.

Development Assistance Co-operation

- In 1986, Canada-Japan official development assistance (ODA) cooperation was announced. Since that time, formal ODA consultations have been held regularly.
- Co-operation to date includes:
 - Annual policy consultations.
 - Exchange of information on ODA-related issues.
 - Aid policy dialogue on major ODA issues of mutual interest.
 - Functional co-operation, such as joint evaluations of projects and an exchange of personnel between the Canadian International Development Agency and the Japan International Co-operation Agency.
 - Co-operative activities in countries of mutual interest.
 - Direction of joint projects.