- Noting the very limited number of large cargo aircraft available in Canada in the civilian sector, the Committee urges the government to encourage the development of such capability where it seems practical and cost-effective.
- 10. The government should pursue the current negotiations on Integrated Lines of Communication (ILOC) and Safe Haven arrangements with the aim of establishing effective bilateral or other agreements as soon as possible.

## Personnel — Regular Force

11. ATG should always be kept at full establishment and steps should be taken to enhance the levels of training and experience of aircrew and ground personnel.

## The Reserves

- 12. The Committee strongly believes that Canada's reserve forces must be revitalized, strengthened and re-equipped in the near future as recommended in its previous studies.
- 13. ATG needs strong back-up from reserve aircrew, maintenance technicians, loadmasters, air movements specialists and other personnel so as to meet the heavier demands that would be placed on it in crisis periods and wartime.
- 14. Air Reserve squadrons specializing in air transport and search and rescue should be equipped with modern aircraft, probably under twinning arrangements where each Reserve squadron is linked to a Regular squadron and the two fly the same aircraft.
- 15. An Air Transport Reserve should be established, to encourage the aircrew and ground personnel of the civil air transport industry to provide essential support for national airlift planning and operations.

## Ten Tactical Air Group (10 TAG)

## Helicopters

- 16. Three additional Chinook helicopters should be acquired immediately, to replace one lost earlier in an accident and bring total holdings to ten. The Committee urges the government to take up an option, available only until the end of March 1986, to acquire these three Chinooks from Boeing-Vertol for about \$75 million.
- 17. The 33 Twin Huey and 63 Kiowa helicopters now in the inventory should be replaced, in the next decade, with at least 35 new utility-transport helicopters and at least 60 new light observation helicopters. Future review of military doctrine may indicate a need for additional numbers.