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# Export and Investment Promotion Planning System

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87/88 A. Post export program priorities

Region: MIDDLE EAST

Mission: 348 KUWAIT

Market: 311 KUWAIT

The Mission selected the following sectors as priority areas for export promotion activities for the coming fiscal year:

# 1. 011 DIL & GAS EQUIPMENT, SERVICES

REASONS: WHILE EXPLORING & PROD'N ARE DOWN, THE ONGOING REQUIREMENTS FOR MAINT-ENANCE & MODERNIZATION ARE SUBSTANTIAL. THE WEAKNESS OF THE CDN DOLLAR % DISSATISFACTION WITH EXISTING SUPPLIERS PLACES CDA IN A GOOD POSIT'N

## 2. 004 DEFENCE PROGRAMS, PRODUCTS, SERV

REASONS: THE ON-GOING GULF WAR AND THE FEAR OF FURTHER TERRORIST ACTIVITIES PRESENTS A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR FIRMS WITH ADVANCED, STATE OF THE ART SECURITY/DETECTION EQUIPMENT.

#### 3. 014 EDUCATION, MEDICAL, HEALTH PROD

REASONS: EDUC. % HEALTH ARE TWO OF THE GOVT'S HIGHEST PRIORITIES.CDA IS VIEWED AS DYNAMIC IN BOTH AREAS OFFERING ALTERNATIVES TO THE TRAD'L U.S., U.K. SYSTEMS. IN HEALTHCARE WE ARE PERCEIVED AS INNOVATIVE & AFFORDABLE.

The most important current Canadian export sectors to this market are (based on actual export sales):

- 1. 008 TRANSPORT SYS, EQUIP, COMP, SERV.
- 2. 007 POWER & ENERGY EQUIP. & SERV.
- 3. 009 FOREST PRODUCTS, EQUIP, SERVICES
- 4. 012 PETROCHEM & CHEM PROD, EQP, SERV