Other NATO activities

Over the years NATO has embarked on a series of programs to stimulate co-operation amongst its members in various areas of common interest.

For example, there are continuing efforts to exploit the possibilities that exist for co-operation amongst the Allies in the field of co-operative development and production of defence equipment. These permit the most economical use of defence resources, as well as producing mutual commercial advantage. For Canada there is the additional advantage of technological "spin-off", particularly in such sophisticated areas as space and communications.

To assist in maintaining the military forces of the Alliance at a high level of efficiency a number of cooperative arrangements exist among NATO members in the field of training. Canada, for instance, extends the use of Canadian training facilities on a costrecovery basis to Britain and Germany. As well as assisting our NATO allies, these activities bring

The launching of NATO's first communications satellite — NATO SATCOM 1 — occurred at Cape Kennedy in March 1970. NATO Photo