

It is, of course, up to the Government of the TCI to establish its own priorities and to allocate its resources accordingly in support of the private sector's role in trade and investment.

Consequently, at this state it would seem preferable to focus limited Canadian public sector resources on those recommendations in the preceding sections (e.g. Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14 and 16) rather than pursuing additional measures (parliamentary visits, trade missions, a Canadian focal point for private sector activity in the TCI, etc.). This should not, however, preclude the Department of External Affairs from including the TCI in trade missions with a specific industrial or sectoral focus or those aimed at the Caribbean market. Participants at the proposed information exchange seminars may wish to comment on the need for measures to assist the private sector in Canada and TCI to increase trade and investment for mutual benefit.

Recommendation 19

Scarce Canadian public sector resources should not be devoted at this time to supporting other measures (e.g. VIP visits, TCI trade missions, creation of a Canadian focal point for private sector activity in the TCI, etc.). This should not preclude the TCI from being included, as appropriate, in Canadian trade missions being planned for the Caribbean or for specific industries and sectors.