continues to import (CDN \$1.7 billion annually). Foreign purchases will remain significant as will opportunities for sale of food processing equipment, technology and livestock credits.

- 3. Power and Energy Equipment and Services: Malaysia Gas Development programs include the CDN \$1 billion Peninsular Gas Pipeline Project, CNG stations and residential distribution system offering prospects for consulting services and equipment. Petronas signed five new exploration and production agreements and seismic services, offshore drilling equipment, will be required.
- 4. Power and Energy Equipment and Services: The National Electricity Board, SEB and SESCO are proceeding with a program for extension and reinforcement of power transmission and distribution networks, system operation efficiency improvement projects, plant conversions from oil to gas. Plans also going ahead for system interconnections with ASEAN neighbours.
- 5. Transportation Systems, Equipment: National Transportation Study (with involvement of Canadian consultants) being carried out to define development strategy for all transport modes over the next twenty years. Implementation program should present opportunities for consultants and suppliers of equipment to railways, airports, ports, etc.
- 6. Defence Products: Defence spending expected to increase by mid-1988 following budget review. With Canadian participation at DSA '88 in March and Defence Mission planned, there should be renewed interest in purchase of Canadian defence products in Canada.

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