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Export and Investment Promotion Planning System

MISSION: 703 BRUSSELS, NAC

COUNTRY: 038 BELGIUM

In support of Canadian exports in this sector (sub-sector) the Trade Office is currently engaged in activities which include:

Activity: MANY NATO DEFENCE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES ARE IN EARLY PROGRAM STAGES(I.E.FEASIBILITY PHASE). OVER NEXT TWO YEARS, MANY WILL ENTER PROJECT DEFINITION, THE KEY PHASE FOR INDUSTRIAL PREPO-SITIONING.

Results Expected: CDN FIRMS WILL BENEFIT IN RELATION TO CDN GO-VERNMENT R&D SUPPORT FOR PROJ. DEFINITION AND SUBSEQUENT DEVELOPMENT & PRODUCTION.

Activity: POST COMMERCIAL/ECONOMIC OFFICERS INTEND TO MAKE CONCERTED EFFORT TO DIRECT CANADIAN FIRMS TOWARDS SUB-CONTRACTS AND JOINT VENTURES WITH MAJOR INTERNATIONAL PRIME CONTRACTORS

Results Expected: MORE EFFECTIVE APPLICATION OF CANADIAN SPECIALIZED CAPABILITY TO THE MARKET.

For the next fiscal year, the Trade Office is planning to undertake the following new export support initiative(s) in this sector (sub-sector):

Activity: POST INTENDS TO PREPARE ANALYSIS OF POSSIELE INITIATIVE IN AIR DEFENCE PRODUCTION SHARING FOR MAJOR NATO PROGRAM IN AIR COMMAND, CONTROL AND COMMUNICATIONS IN THE 1990'S.

Results Expected: IF DND/DEA POLICY GUIDELINES ARE AGREED, SUCH AN INITIATIVE COULD RESULT IN INCREASED LEVE-RAGE FOR CDN CONTRACTORS & POST COMMERCIAL/ ECONOMIC OFFICERS.