TABLE 1

Description of Canadian Telecommunications and Computer Sector, 1988^a

Reporting units ⁸	Communications Equipment and Electronic Components (SIC 335)		Computers, Peripherals and Business Machines (SIC 336)		Telecommunications Carriers (SIC 482)		Computer Services Industry (SIC 772)	
		586		194		100	4	162
Employment	52	829	20	315	110	020	38	689
Shipments or revenue (\$ millions)	5	484	2	706	12	246	3	160
R&D expenditures ^a (\$ millions)		953		325		32		127
Total exports ^b (\$ millions)	2	910	3	090		410		140 ^d
Canadian market ^C (\$ millions)	7	248	5	777	12	236	3	130
Imports (\$ millions)	4	674	6	161		400		110 ^e
Domestic exports, g as a % of shipments		47.6		98.4		3.3		4.4
Imports as a % of domestic market		64.5	1	06.6 ^b		3.3		3.5
Number of major firms (Domestically owned)		6(4)		7(1)		7(7)		9(8) ^f

Source: ISTC Information Technologies Industry Performance, Statistical Summary, 1988, Aug. 1989 for SIC 335 and SIC 336; ITAC 1988 Statistical Summary for SIC 482 and SIC 772.

g Total exports less re-exports.

^a Figures in last two columns are for 1987. The number of Reporting Units is supplied by Information Technology Association of Canada (ITAC) and figures are for 1987.

b Includes re-exports. Re-exports are also included in the import figures.

c Apparent Domestic Market. It is equal to shipments plus imports less total exports.

d Receipts from sales of computer services.

e Payments for purchases (from abroad) of computer services.

Computer services firms. The incidence of foreign ownership is greater among computer software firms.