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PROCUREMENT OF NEW ANALYSIS COMPUTER FOR DSD

The Government has agreed that:

- (a) a computer system based on a Cray Research Inc processor be acquired and installed at Defence's Defence Signals Directorate at an estimated cost of \$12.95 million (April 1984 prices, June 1984 exchange rate);
- (b) on the grounds of national security and systems compatability, the source of supply of the prime equipment in sub-paragraph (a) above be restricted to Cray Research Inc and its associated support to the original suppliers of such items;
- (c) in the event that the cost of the associated capital works increases to an amount in excess of \$2.0 million, on the grounds of national security, it be recommended to the Governor-General in Council that the works not be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works; and
- (d) the proposal be exempt from reference to the Parliament Committee on Public Accounts.

2. The Government has also noted that minimal publicity is proposed and that the Minister for Defence will release, at an appropriate time, a statement.


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