

**ENERGY FOR DEVELOPMENT:
AN INTERNATIONAL
CHALLENGE**

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FOREWORD

It was not so long ago that the voices of those who warned of an impending energy "crisis" were unheard and unheeded. Now the mood has changed so fanatically. Energy is decried by nearly as the source of all the economic and financial ills of both the industrialized "North" and the developing "South". That the energy issue is a critical and important one for the entire world community is undeniable. But the present tendency to ascribe to energy the blame for most of our current ailments would be as wrong and misguided as the apathy and skepticism that characterized the attitudes existing before the advent of the energy crisis. Sharp increases in oil prices and potential shortages of supply have indeed produced major impacts on the economies and the prospects of virtually all countries. They have produced a shift of economic power and comparative advantage that is unprecedented both in its dimensions and its speed.

This dramatic shift towards one group of oil-rich developing countries is fundamentally altering the world's political and economic balance. While this has moved the international economic order towards the kind of changes all developing countries have been seeking, it has also created new burdens for the energy-deficient countries, particularly the poorest, and given rise to new needs for international action. The consequences for the oil-deficient industrialized countries, the oil-importing developing countries and the oil exporting countries will have a profound effect on the future of each of these groups. On the one hand it sharpens the differences and potentials for conflict among them; on the other hand, it makes the need for understanding and cooperation more urgent and compelling than ever.

The rapid evolution of the sense of "crisis" surrounding the energy issue has been

accompanied by a great deal of miss-information, misunderstanding, and emotion. In this climate, it has proven extremely difficult to mount the kind of constructive and objective dialogue which is needed to facilitate international agreement on the issues. Indeed, attempts to date to negotiate these issues at the international level have been anxiously unsuccessful. They have floundered largely on the unwillingness of the industrialized nations to link negotiations on energy with a serious consideration of the demands of the developing countries for a more just and equitable "new international economic order," and on the insistence of both oil-exporting and oil-importing developing countries that energy issues can only be effectively addressed within this broader context.

In the meantime, the sense of crisis has yielded a proliferation of energy studies. While these have been helpful, they have also showered the public with such a plethora of facts and viewpoints that they have tended to add to the confusion. More importantly, most of these studies have been carried out in the Western industrialized countries and have been biased towards the perspectives and interests of these countries. There is as yet very little broad understanding of the interests and concerns of the oil-exporting countries and the acute plight of the oil-importing developing countries. And there has still been far too little recognition of the real need and importance of viewing the energy issue, and dealing with it, as an integral part of the complex of issues which affect relations between the industrialized and developing countries--the North and the South.

It is against this background that the North-South Roundtable of the Society for International Development (whose activities are described at the end of this *volume*) has established an Energy Roundtable to help bridge the gaps in information and understanding which have thus far prevented the establishment of effective dialogue and negotiations on these issues. It is designed to assemble the best available information, analyses, and opinions concerning energy as it affects each of the principal groups of nations--industrialized, oil-exporting, and oil-importing developing nations--and the relations among these nations which bear on the prospects for peace, security, and prosperity for the entire world community.

It is not the intent of the Roundtable to produce a single solution to these issues, nor to provide the kinds of information, understanding, and ideas out of which solutions may be fashioned. It is not a forum for official negotiations; but it is designed to undergird and support the processes of official dialogue and negotiations and to feed information and ideas into this process. It is not another energy study; but it draws upon virtually all of the principal energy studies that have been produced recently, and has had the benefit of contributions from many of the authors of such studies. It is not intended to argue the case for any single group of nations; yet it accepts a special obligation to bring out the perspectives of the developing countries, both oil-exporting and oil-importing, because there has been far too little understanding and appreciation of the interests and concerns of these countries by the industrialized world.

The Report is a product of the first phase of an ongoing process of dialogue which the North-South Energy Roundtable has initiated. It presents the views of the authors, expressed in their personal capacities, rather than any consensus reached in the Roundtable, even though these views have developed after several intensive discussions in Roundtable meetings.

The second phase is envisaged as a series of in-depth dialogues organized by the Roundtable. These would take place in a variety of forums in both industrialized and developing countries as well as international institutions. It would involve small teams of experts in dialogue with policy-makers. It would be designed to give the policy-makers the benefits of the information and viewpoints assembled by the Roundtable and at the same time add to the insights and knowledge available to the Roundtable.

In the third phase of the process a final document would be produced, incorporating the results of the entire process. But this final report, like the framework report, will represent only a portion of the fruits of this process. The most important contribution of the Energy Roundtable will be the canyore of knowledge and understanding, which will be developed throughout the exercise in the process of interaction among experts and policy-makers representing a broad and

diversified range of experience and interest. It is in this continuous nurturing of understanding and dialogue which under girds and facilitates the processes of policy-making at the national level and of formal negotiations among nations at the international level.

This initiative originated at the meeting of the North-South Roundtable in Nlombo, Sri Lanka in August 1979. Overall coordination of the project has been the responsibility of its Steering Committee, which I have the privilege of chairing. A number of neetings have been held involving people from all regions of the world representing a wide variety of experience in the field of energy, economic and social policy, governments, international organisations, and private industry. Important contributions were node try a number of others. All participants contributed in their personal capacities. To all I would like to exiaess ny deep gratitude.

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CIEC conference on International Economic Cooperation
CPE Centrally planned economy
DAC t vilipend Assistant

DRE Decentralize cue °it tee of the OECD
ECLA sled renewable energy

Economic Commission for Latin America [ECSC](#) European Coal and Steel Community

EEC European Economic Community

G-77 Group of 77
IAEA International Atomic Energy Agency
IDA International

JOB IF, vvelop NT Association
Inter-American IkveloprçNT Bank TEA International Energy go

IMP International Monetary Fund
EEC Less developed country LNG Liquefied natural gas
NGL Natural gas liquids
NIW New international economic order
NSERT North-South Energy Roundtable
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OAPEC Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries
ODC Overseas Envelopment Council
OECD Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
OPT Oil-importing developing country
Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries H(O&D Oil-exporting developing country
Research, development, and demonstrations SDR Special drawing rights
SID Society for International Development
UNCPAD United Nations Conference on Trade and Ik' velolment UNDP United Nations Development Programmed UAE United Arab Emirates
UNICEF United Nations Children's Fund

bid barrel per day
Cfd cubic feet *leer day*

o.e, oil equivalent
Tce metric ton of coal equivalent

OVERVIEW

Summary

The North-South dialogue has encountered many setbacks, but a new attempt is currently being made to revive it, this time within a United Nations framework of global negotiations, the corner-stone of a Third Development Decade. This is just the latest in a long series of international efforts to resolve the problems of North-South relations.

The issue of natural resources has been at the forefront of developing countries' efforts to improve their concept of the international economic order. During the 1970s, oil extorting developing countries (OXi7Cs) acquired increased bargaining strength, which has led to enormous changes in petroleum arrangements. No other natural resource has yet turned out to be as strategic to the world as oil, which has become a catalyst in the movement towards an improved international order.

This basic framework report is predicated on the existence of a new consensus between the parties involved, even though the international system faces a host of difficulties. One of the failures of the past has been a dialogue of the deaf. What will help is a clearer exposition of perspectives and a fuller understanding of each Party's objectives and policy options. Nations can make greater progress towards achieving energy security and do so at less cost if they treat the problem as a global one, resolvable through cooperative international action, rather than solely a unilateral or bilateral one.

I. THE GLOBAL ENERGY

Energy and development

Energy is one of the most important inputs in the process of development. Human material progress and the use of man-made energy have gone hand in hand. Consequently, there is proper concern whether energy (especially oil and wood fuels) will be available in adequate supply and at prices which will allow progress to continue.

World energy problems are not confined to oil, though oil is a preoccupation because of a) its finite nature and the need to conserve its use and develop alternative energy sources, b) its impact on balance of payments, international financial flows, inflation, and economic growth, c) dangers of supply disruptions, and d) its importance as the prime form of commercial energy in developed and developing countries alike. It is the single largest primary commodity by value entering into world trade.

Nor are world energy problems confined to commercial forms of energy. These are the ones mainly used in industrialized countries and in the urban and industrial sectors of developing countries. But equally crucial are the problems of societies based on non-commercial energy. Some 60% of the world's population are rural and mostly rely on traditional energy fuels. The energy crisis and other constraints on living standards are a fact of life for the majority of the world's population.

The present world energy prospect can be viewed as a. a virtual stagnation in the overall trade of oil, and little growth in traditional energy sources. These constraints point to a future transition to the accelerated development of alternative energy sources and, equally important, to increased efficiency in energy use. Much of the world's population is faced with a threefold energy problem: i) obtaining enough traditional energy, ii) shifting to higher-quality fuels and, iii) making the transition to plentiful energy sources other than oil.

Oil

Oil has been a key input to economic growth in industrialized and developing countries alike. The remarkable growth in its consumption until 1973 was facilitated by the extraordinary increase in production and low-cost exports from OPEC countries, particularly in the Middle East. Since then oil has entered a high-cost era. Its growth has militated greatly, reflecting the downturn in economic activity in industrialized countries, substitution of other energy forms, and increased efficiency in energy use.

There are now only a few countries where oil production is large and still clearly expanding, and in none is it thought likely to exceed by much their national objectives: China, Mexico, North Sea, Iraq, and a few developing countries. There are a number of other developing countries where output is smaller but expanding. Four of the most important OPEC producers do not wish to produce at capacity

and are reluctant to undertake further large-scale expansion: Iran, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and the UAE. Undoubtedly the most contentious issue between industrialized and OPEC countries would be the rate of development and production in the few countries where there is large potential for expansion.

Exploration in oil-importing developing countries (Odes) had been picking up in recent years. A large number can reasonably expect to become medium to small producers.

Throughout most of the 1980s and during the 1990s, oil demand is likely to be constrained by supply availability, though this must be understood in the context of production limits for political and economic reasons in some major oil exporting countries.

Higher oil prices have improved the economic viability of exploitation of small fields, enhanced recovery, and exploration in high-cost areas such as polar and deep water, heavy oil, tar-sand, and oil shale deposits, and fields with poor reservoir characteristics. In many countries small fields will be found well into the next century. Their cumulative impact may be great, and their support to economies including Odes will be significant.

The prospects for international oil trade during the next two decades appear to be at best a continuance of their present levels, unless incentives can improve prospects for OPEC output.

A particular uncertainty is the extent to which the Soviet Union/Eastern European bloc may move from being a net exporter to a net importer of oil. It would be prudent to plan on this prospect, though there are many unknown variables which could ameliorate it.

We find a great concentration of oil imports into a relatively few OICs. The upper middle-income countries import the lion's share. Thus, for many countries their oil imports are minuscule in relation to world trade. But to each one of them, these imports could be a heavy burden.

If the prospects for the next two decades are truly for an increasing constraint on international oil trade, then national oil trade, and if OICs are to just even have a modest increase in their trade, then the industrialized countries will import or produce oil than at present, and quite likely less. This is recognized by them in the formulation of their oil import targets.

Oil prices are generally expected to continue rising in real terms during the next two decades. For example, the World Bank now postulates a 3% p.a. increase as an illustrative hypothesis. Of course, price projections are no more than illustrative. In no way can they have precision, and the uncertainties are huge. There could be some alleviation of pressure on prices if steps in oil importing countries to moderate oil import demand are successful. Conversely, there could be some severe price pressures, if future world energy supplies turn out to be less than hoped.

Though the international oil market could ease up in the short term, it still does not appear prudent to plan on such an outcome for the long term. Oil importers are precariously dependent on just a few export sources. There is vulnerability from reliance on physical concentration of large-scale export facilities. There is little flexibility in the supply system.

Natural Gas

Natural gas is likely to make an increasing major contribution to world energy supplies. It will be an important transitional fuel. It could be the fastest growing energy source in developing countries as well as elsewhere. Expansion of the local gas usage should be the main policy aim. But where the domestic market is limited, exports by pipeline or liquefied natural gas (LNG) may be advantageous.

In recent years pricing, financial, economic, technical and environmental reasons led to the cancellation of many LNG projects. In particular, their high cost has not been a relatively price setback their high wellhead. Hence low natural gas prices have typically pursued other uses for natural gas or have flared. As oil prices have greatly improved the economic viability of projects. The economic viability of other high-cost sources have also improved those of oil and investment decisions will have to be justified in relation to other energy options.

The potential for deep conventional gas reserves may be great. The world's major fossil fuel sources when oil begins to be depleted in the next century. A major deterrent has been the high costs of exploration and development. The Middle East could have giant deep gas deposits, but these horizons are unlikely to be tested until oil reserves are more drastically depleted. Energy resources must also include unconventional sources of which is not yet explored. They include gas dissolved in water, natural gas from coalbeds, gas dissolved in basalt from tight sands, and gas from Devonian shales, gas hydrates.

Coal

The world's resources and reserves of solid fuels are huge, much larger than those of oil and gas. There are many countries which are believed to have untapped and unassessed coal reserves. Africa and South America have only sporadically been examined for coal. Worldwide, a large production base exists which could be extended, if markets were developed. There are great opportunities in both industrialised and developing countries. The key to resource policies is to encourage such exploitation.

A critical issue for the expansion of coal use is its acceptability to end users' particularly in developed countries. Environmental issues have caused questions on environmental issues have caused delays, lead-times, and considerable investment costs. Nevertheless, a large increase is expected in output and, even more so, in international trade.

Nuclear Power

The present outlook for nuclear power is very mixed. France and the Soviet Union are greatly expanding its developing countries, while in a number of industrialized countries its development continues to be retarded by public concern safety, economic, and financial issues.

The number of developing countries which can handle the technology and have a large enough electricity sector is relatively limited. Elsewhere, most developing countries are going slow in their approach towards nuclear power at this time. Fear of weapons proliferation has made supplier countries cautious in supplying technology and fuels. In return, recipient countries are concerned about the principle

of retaining sovereignty over their national policies. This raises questions of how far existing international agencies can adequately establish nuclear safeguards, and how far supplier countries should go in balancing the political and strategic risks in relations with recipient countries.

Hydro electricity

Hydroelectric power is expected to continue growth during the next two decades. New

sites are becoming harder to come by in most industrialized countries other than Canada and Norway. But there are still huge opportunities in developing, 1 countries. The use of small-scale hydro plants is also seeing it to increase greatly, as has happened in China.

Other Renewable Forms of Energy

Interest in renewable energy has much increased with the continued rise in oil prices. The technologies for some forms of renewable energy are mature, for others are promise and being developed for commercialization, and for others are under research and development and have long-term possibilities. Issues regarding these energy forms will be addressed closely in the UN Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy in August 1981 in Nairobi. In developing countries, interest has particularly focused on decentralized and small-scale applications in rural areas. A key problem for OICDS is the need for energy in food production and rural household use. This requires more effort to improve technologies for use of biomass, particularly fuel wood and charcoal. There has been significant development of processes for large-scale production of ethanol from carbohydrates such as sugar and starchy roots. An outstanding program is the one in Brazil. Biogas is also receiving much interest; it has been promoted extensively in China. Solar energy in its many varieties, wind power, and geothermal all have significant potential.

II. THE PARTIES INVOLVED

1. Oil-Importing Developing Countries

The developing countries consume much less commercial energy than industrialized countries, but their energy consumption is increasing at a faster pace. Their use of energy varies greatly among countries. There is also great inequality within each country between cities and countryside, and even within cities between the modern sector and urban slums. The rural peoples and those in the urban slums rely upon traditional sources of energy such as wood, crop residues, animal power, and charcoal.

Energy waste abounds in the South as well as in the North but for different reasons. In the South it is due to inefficient practices and equipment. In rural areas, there is waste in the use of fuel for cooking and in the making of charcoal. The cure is to provide the funds and expertise to improve efficiency.

At least 73 countries depend on imports for 100% of their oil needs. There is thought to be a great deal of oil in the Odes. State geologists believe that much oil yet undiscovered may be on or offshore the developing countries. Yet the drilling rates are low in relation to the oil producing industrialized countries. Outside help is needed to find and produce their own fossil fuels, to improve efficiency in energy use, and to adopt new and more plentiful substitutes for oil. LDCs will need help to pay for essential oil imports and to improve their export markets to help pay for their oil imports. Heavy oil, tar sands, and oil shale's also are great potential energy sources. As drilling increases in the OICDS, more

oil and natural gas will be found. Except for China and India, very little exploration for coal has been done, perhaps because industrialization in

the OICDS had not begun before oil displaced coal as the preferred fuel for industry. Many experts feel that the potential for coal in the OICDS is great.

Nearly two-thirds of the world's conventional hydro-

electric potential is in the Third World, but less than 10% of the conventional hydroelectric potential there has been exploited. A closely related and even less explored energy source is small-scale or mini-hydro. The Chinese source of experience suggests that this energy

Whether nuclear fission will prove to be an important energy source for developing countries depends on whether nuclear technology is successful in solving its cost, safety, and waste disposal problems in the North and, if so, whether it will come in units small enough to hatch the grids in most OICDS

Traditional energy is in jeopardy in the Third World, where it is the dominant and indispensable source of energy. The shortage of firewood is acute in most regions,

and the price of firewood and charcoal is skyrocketing. The growing demand for charcoal is accelerating deforestation. Traditional methods of production are very inefficient, and the pressure on forests increases. In some areas, there has been a movement from wood to kerosene. With the rapid increase in oil prices, however, there has been a reverse trend from kerosene back to wood and charcoal. The firewood problem is serious *everywhere*.

The firewood shortage has led to far-reaching environmental problems. Forests are disappearing at an alarming rate. A sizeable percentage of the world's forests could disappear before the end of the century, with unknown consequences on regional and global climatic changes and on food production. For most developing countries, there are virtually no alternatives to wood except hydropower or agricultural wastes. Given present rates of deforestation, Senegal will be bare of 5,000 trees in 30 years, Ethiopia in 20, African Burundi in 7. In nine countries surveyed by the World Bank, present annual

rates of deforestation would need to be increased by 5 to 10 times, in order to meet domestic fuel needs to the year 2000.

While the industrial countries have to move away from oil to other plentiful energy sources, the developing countries have to make a double transition: i) they must make the same transition for the modern sector of their economy and ii) they must make the other transition from traditional energy to more modern non-oil energy, even as they face the transition to modern energy sources. It makes little long-term sense for a developing country to make a transition to oil just at the time it must undertake a transition from oil to successors. The problem is that any decision to forego the shift to oil-based technology is a decision that will immediately hurt development. The dilemma of the OICDS is this: if they continue to shift to oil, they will be in great trouble now, in a few decades; if they interrupt the shift, they will be in trouble now.

An option that may be particularly open to the Third World is to give much emphasis to modern decentralized renewable energy. This is because i) people live in rural areas, far from the reach of grids of modern energy, ii) modern energy when available is highly priced and iii) there is relatively little investment in modern energy.

Solar energy is generally in more abundant supply in the South in one or more of its four forms than in the North: sunshine, falling water, wind, and biomass. Most developing countries have the potential for at least one or more of its forms. They are attractive to Third World countries because i) they can be decentralized in the rural areas where most Third World people live; ii) the costs of certain technologies for the use of decentralized renewable energy are not expected to rise as rapidly as the cost of oil; and iii) the future of oil is increasingly uncertain. But the technologies are still being developed and are not yet sufficiently reliable or cheap enough to compete with conventional energy resources. In the rural areas, more research and site testing is needed before its full promise comes evident. There is not much prospect that renewable energy will soon become competitive in the modern sectors of developing countries.

The OICDS have several energy needs: i) access to increasing supplies of oil, ii) increased production and improved management of non-conventional energy, iii) improved efficiency in energy use, iv) development of indigenous modern energy and v) a smooth transition to oil's successors. Finally, they need to strengthen existing institutions and in some cases establish new ones which can plan and manage energy services, and they need to expand the numbers of qualified energy personnel.

OICDS have short-run energy and balance of payments problems. Oil import bills of OICDS are estimated at about \$67 billion in 1980 and in the World Bank's view could rise by 1990 to more than \$230 billion (\$120 billion in 1980-85). The low-income countries face serious financing problems. Middle-income countries are unlikely to find bilateral official finance as freely available as in 1974-75. The ability of the private sector to maintain its predominant role in financing the major borrowing countries stands in doubt.

Severe imbalances in the 1980s will impose great human costs. How great the costs will be depends on the

adoption of suitable national economic policies and on the performance of the external world. There are three basic options: i) developing countries can cut oil imports, ii) they can seek external financing, and iii) they can improve their

merchandise exports.

If the developing countries are to have the possibility

Of even substantially reduced rates of economic growth, they have to have increased, not reduced, access to oil. This point to private and official external financing as the chief means of adjusting to high oil costs. There are several current and potential new sources. In particular, there are grounds for optimism that OPEC will yet further increase its development assistance. OECD aid is not likely to increase much over the short-term. There is need for increased assistance from IDA and the soft-loan windows of international financial institutions, and the IMF.

'In the long-run, OIDs' most constructive course of action is to increase merchandise exports. But the inability to increase exports is severely limited by external factors over which they have no control. Borrowing is no more than a temporary solution, albeit highly essential for their immediate future. To get at the roots of the balance-of-payments problem will take much more heroic measures,

Involving international cooperation.

Industrialized countries' markets must be increasingly open to export from OIDs. Prices of Northern exports to [Devs must not inflate too much. Oil must remain physically available to OIDs, along with the means to finance it.

Proposals for reform of the international economic order include trade reforms (improved access of Southern exports to Northern markets), as well as improved treatment of commodities exported from the South (e.g., Common Fund proposals to finance buffer stock agreements). The South has found particularly burdensome the Northern practice of escalating tariff barriers on Southern goods, to the extent these goods are processed.

Regarding the transfer of resources, the Brandt Commission urged that a concerted effort be made to establish automatic sources of revenue for development finance. Other proposals have been made for debt relief for LDCs. Others are that LDCs should be granted a) preferential access to private capital markets in the North, and b) a greater voice in the decisions on the allocation and management of development aid.

Developing countries complain that multinational corporations have control over technology and effectively prevent or delay its transfer to the South; they seek a general code of conduct.

The World Food Conference in 1974 called for a number of reforms to ensure enough food for all. Among proposals under consideration is a buffer-stock of food grains, which would stabilize prices and offer supply security in times of shortfall.

A number of proposals have been heard for reform the international monetary system. One is that LDCs be given a greater share of the benefits from SDRs. The conditions governing access to the IMF by developing countries are seen by many to be excessively onerous and inflexible; they all argue that IMF funds should be made available over longer periods of time. Proposals have been made for a new facility to help OIDs adjust to the oil price rises of 1979; this is a very well called for an expansion of funds available to the IMF. Others argue that pressure should be brought on countries with persistent balance-of-payments surplus to adjust, instead of putting the entire adjustment burden on the shoulders of the deficit countries. Some also argue that LDCs should be given a greater voice in managing the international monetary system. Finally, there is a need to consider international rules governing management of currency markets, which are now beyond the control of the monetary and banking authorities in any one country.

Inflation in industrialized countries has placed a burden on OXDCs and OIDs and has damaged the industrialized countries themselves. Oil price increases have contributed to inflation, but have not necessarily caused most of the inflation. There are other factors at work. Many economists believe that in most industrialized countries inflation is now self-perpetuating, so that it will continue even in the absence of any further oil price rises, unless better economic management is forthcoming.

Virtually all the funding for research, development, and demonstration (RD&D) of new or improved forms of energy comes from industrialized countries. Small but important exceptions include Brazil's work on gasohol, India's on biomass, and significant work in China. The ability of the entire world to make the critical transition from oil to more abundant and eventually renewable sources depends very largely on the success of these RD&D programs. But there is reason for OXDCs and OIDs to question far the allocation of RD&D funds is relevant to their needs.

2. The Oil-Exporting Developing Countries

Is there sufficient converging interest between OXIX's and oil-importing countries to contribute towards the basis of a global energy policy? The little progress during the last seven years gives scant ground for optimism. But the problems are becoming more acute, particularly regarding three central issues: i) the OXIX's' desire to stretch out reserves, ii) planning and managing an orderly transition in industrial countries from dependence on imported oil to alternative energy, and iii) the OIIXs' difficulties in earning foreign exchange to finance oil imports.

There are about 28 OXWs, of which 13 are OPEC members. To some extent, COOS share the development problems of other developing countries. But there are four areas which would have to be the subject of accommodation within an overall global energy policy: i) exploration and development of oil (particularly heavy oil and secondary and tertiary recovery projects), ii) development and commercialization of natural gas resources, iii) conservation of oil and gas, and iv) the treatment of financial assets held by capital-surplus OXtCS in industrialized countries.

Any approach can only hope to be successful if industrial countries fully comprehend the importance which developing countries and in this instance OXIICS place on their sovereignty. They view the old long-term concession agreements as unequal treaties, virtually imposed upon them by oil companies with the backing of their home governments. Having gained sovereignty in the 1970s over their petroleum resources, the OXs view with great suspicion any attempt by industrialized countries to draw them into political agreements which would once more limit their freedom of action on supply and price. This is the real background to the hostility shown by OPEC to the TEA and to the difficulties inherent in any accommodation with OXDCS.

The central problems for all the OXOCs are the depletion of their petroleum reserves and the economic transition to a *diversified and developed* economy, once the oil revenues decline. The present unalarmed prosperity of the OXOCs obscures to other nations the fact that this transition will ultimately be infinitely more difficult for them than for industrialized nations. It is unfortunate; through natural that the North's attention has been on oil prices rather than economic development largely focus: OXIICS, a field which would meet issues of dialogue. Provide much *more* for future dialogue.

The financial assets held by OXs abroad are vulnerable to inflation and political action, i.e., blocking. The OXs in countries are Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and GAE. Clearly, future efficient guarantees could be given to these countries; free of the constraints on their production would be greatly P'attenuated. Several schemes have been proposed, mostly centered on long-term bonds indexed to compensate for inflation's "Producing countries fear that such bonds are more vulnerable to freezing and are less mobile in the short-run than other financial investments. There are several other obstacles inhibiting the investment abroad by capital-surplus OXs'... countries.

Removal of these obstacles would represent a positive step and could be an element in any rapprochement between OXs and industrialized countries.

The Arab-Israeli conflict is without doubt one of the most important obstacles to any solution of energy problems

between OXOCs and industrial countries. It is rarely

discussed candidly. But no permanent solution on energy will be possible until a solution is also found to the Palestinian problem which is acceptable enough to a majority of the oil-producing Arab states.

Essentially, OPEC pricing policies aim at shifting the price of oil upwards to the cost of alternative energy sources. This cost is not specified, although several OXIICs think in vague terms of the cost of coal gasification. There is now firm agreement within OPEC countries that the current price of oil should escalate to keep pace with inflation. They generally believe that the deflator should be an OECD index of export prices. They generally agree that the speed at which the real oil price should rise up towards the undefined cost of alternatives should be rare. Issue with the growth of real GNP in OXOC countries. The rationale is that the growth in GNP is a measure of ability to pay as well as an indication of the time span within which the alternatives will be needed.

OPEC countries see their administration of prices at manageable and a matter exclusive to the seller at the political (though not commercial) level. It is not a point open for negotiation with industrialized countries, unless the latter were surprisingly willing to regulate their own export prices for manufactured goods and food to XECs. Of growing importance to OXDCs is the future develops P meant of their natural gas reserves. Twelve have excelled prospects for natural gas in large exportable surpluses. View of the much greater difficulties in developing the reserves for export, they nest clearly 6e a further element any global energy strategy.

The policies of CIEs towards OJDCS are now acquire some sharpness of definition. The recommendations of the (&' long-term strategy manatee were unanimously adopted by full Ministerial Inference in May 1980.* They envisage that

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Countries, ii) bridging loans be made to the higher-men.

IOIDCs at essentially commercial rates to cover oil-soda P balance of payments difficulties, and iii) sift loans and a grants lie need to other OIDCs to help finance both short-rebalance of payments difficulties and longer-term development' of domestic energy sources and other projects.

OPEC policy has consistently rejected a generalized system of two-tier oil pricing. It renders the aid element invisible; there is fear of oil supply leakage into other me.rkets; and it ties the amount of aid to the volume of oilimports regardless of the countries • actual needs. Never the less some oil has teen sold on a two-tier price system. Examples include the agreement between Mexico and Venezuela to set up a system to supply tendril American and Caribbean OIDCs ' at prices effectively discounted by one-third.

OPEC countries have been giving about OS\$5 billion in official development assistance to other developing countries through national and international institutions, notably the OPEC Fund for International Develop-ment. Current proposals envisage a sharp escalation in their aid flow. An important part would be earmarked for developrlont of energy resources in other IDCs, with emphasis on hydrocarbon exploration. This proposal runs parallel with that of the World Hank to create a

* Their consideration by OPEC heads of state is temporarily stalled by postponement of their summit meeting (previously scheduled fo, November 1980 in Baghdad).

Separated affiliate, which would be financed partly by induceialised countries and partly by OPEC countries.It isIsently an open question whether the two proposals will beused. But indubitably this is one area where the interestsY OROCS and industrial countries coincide.

3. Industrialized Countries

C The strong growth of industrialised countries during 1 the 1950s and 19eOs depended on cheap abundant energy.Banestic coal production gave way to low-cost oil, domestic or 1 imported. Reliable access to cheap imported oil was not i 'doubted. This complacency was upset in the 1970s. Industrialised countries now face an era of high-cost oil.policies in OXOCs are now determined by their own governmentsand not by the najor oil companies.

Part and JBrceI of the concerns of industrialized countries is that they have diverse interests. Their energy supplies range in source from complete self-sufficiency to utter dependence on imports. This diversity itself can create strains and even divisiveness among industrialized countries themselves.

However, they have made efforts to deal in a concerted runner with energy policy.

Particular efforts have been nude within the framework of the European

Community, OEQ), and the International airy Agency. The TEA has the roles of

i) promoting energy conservation and the enhanced development of secure

energy supplies and ii) ensuring the adequate distribution of oil supplies in an

emergency. In 1974 the Idea's creation symbolized the confrontation inherent in the energy crisis, though it was not intended by nest participants to be

confrontational.

A subsequent attempt to reconcile Tort South viewpoints was nude at the CIEC Conference of 1975-77; one cause of its qualified failure was the reluctance of the

North to look at all the issues of North-South relations and instead to prefer discussing only the energy issue.

Since then, cooperation has begun to reduce confrontation, and industrialized countries have taken steps to ease the energy crisis. They have agreed to principles on pricing, conservation, and accelerated development of alternative energy supplies. Some constructive steps were taken by the IEA, including the setting of oil import targets.

Despite such steps, there has been continued strong competition for oil. This competition doubled oil prices in 1979-80 which contributed to economic recession, inflation, and unemployment but added new oil to the market.

Today there is an overriding concern for all industrialized countries for secure and assured supplies of oil at what they see as reasonable prices. This is part of the current concern over high inflation and unemployment. The energy problem is not the main cause but especially with such large outward flows of money to (and) for oil imports.

General economic adjustment in the 1980s is generally expected to prove more difficult than during 1974-79. Compared with those years, capital surpluses of industrialized countries could stay at a high level for longer than in recent years; the prospects for capital flows between oil-importing countries are less favourable; and the industrialized countries face more serious economic difficulties. They must

accept a large diminishing deficit, corresponding to their share of the counterpart of the OPEC surplus, for some time to come.

Conservation and accelerated development of new and renewable energy sources are cures for the long-term transition. But in the short-term transition through also need to deal with potential [its as](#) demand restraint, stockpiling, and oil import targets.

Economic success of industrialized energy countries will

depend largely on how well they manage their oil imports. The challenge will be to find effective strategies for ensuring reliable access to oil imports which are at present expected to remain constant and could even decline, as things look at present. The structural changes needed in the industrialized countries are very deep but are at last being made.

4 Convergences and Conflict

Some larger importers have sought supply reliability by making bilateral arrangements with individual oil exporters. A system of competing bilateral understandings may in good for individual importers but not necessarily for the world, as it ignores small importers and financially weak countries.

Industrialized countries which are IEA members particularly have sought short-term supply reliability through emergency sharing arrangements. Some industrialized countries have programs of official stockpiling; this has prompted some OPEC nations to threaten retaliation,

It is not easy to correct this patchwork quilt of arrangements. But the dialogue between oil exporters and importers should search for acceptable formulae which might help.

Many experts believe that the level of oil prices is not as important as the sudden, unpredictable, and uneven pace of change. They believe that the inflationary impact could be substantially reduced if price changes occurred in small, predictable increments. However, there is another view that economies only adjust to price shock. There is also a strongly held view that prices are much determined by buyers' competition for available oil, and that "official" OPEC prices merely confirm what the market has already determined.

The most controversial proposal is that a price formula be multilaterally negotiated which would be binding upon oil exporters. They have reacted negatively to this as to proposals for negotiated formulae for oil supply. They have been reviewing but not yet agreed on a plan of their own for orderly prices of oil, linking them to the rate of inflation and real GNP growth in the industrialized countries; the OPEC formula would constitute a floor price for oil rather than a ceiling or a target.

With oil-induced disturbances, some countries will impose further restrictions on merchandise imports. Trade barriers already exist, especially burdensome to developing countries that cannot have economic power to protect them. Several proposals have been made to eliminate tariffs (preponderantly LDC) and kerosene for cooking and lighting, diesel oil for commercial transport, and fuel

oil for electricity generation, rather than gasoline for private motoring. It is helpful to distinguish developing countries into oil-importing and oil-exporting categories, in order to analyse oil's contribution to their foreign exchange burden earnings. This does not mean simplistically that developing countries which import oil are in trouble and those which export are in good shape. Economic performance is the result of many different factors. But oil trade is a highly significant one.

There are more than 120 OICs. Their oil consumption grew rapidly during 1960-73, by 5% p.a. It stagnated in the next two years to 1975 but then resumed growth at an estimated 5.5% p.a. to 1979, when it averaged some 5.6 mm b/d.¹ There have been increasing efforts to conserve the use of oil in these countries without at the same time harming economic growth. It is still too early to know how successful these efforts have been. This issue is discussed further in subsequent chapters.

Oil consumption in OICs is highly skewed in distribution. Most consume very little oil, and a relatively few countries account for most of the trade. (See E. below.) This does not mean that the relatively well oil consumption in smaller countries is not important to their economies. On the contrary, these countries are among the most severely disadvantaged by high costs and potential scarcities of imported oil. But it indicates the order of magnitude of steps which *may* need to be taken in the transition to a broader diversity of energy sources.

* This list excludes the following middle-income countries: Greece, Israel, Portugal, South Africa, Spain, Turkey, DS territories, and Yugoslavia which are defined as developing countries in the World Bank's report WOR III. In 1980 these countries could have consumed about 2.5 mm b/d of oil (including bunkers). These countries (except for Spain) are also defined by the IMF as developing, consuming 1.5 mm b/d.

Rapidly to reach conceivably 5 mm b/d by 2000. This is way below earlier official aspirations to develop ten fields like I aging (Ta-chin), i.e., a total of about 10 mm b/d. But it would still be a quantum jump from the present and would represent a great achievement.

Mexico's output depends on government policies regarding a) the speed of developing new discoveries and b) export ceilings. It is installing enough capacity to supply the growing domestic market as well as exports sufficient to finance the nation's foreign exchange needs for economic development. Production of crude and natural gas liquefied (NOL) was close to 2.15 mm b/d in 1980, and exports were 827,000 b/d. Mexico's export ceiling (1.1 mm b/d) is reported to be 1.45 mm b/d in 1981. Policy after 1982 has not been determined. It is conceivable that output could be in the range of 4 mm b/d by 1990.

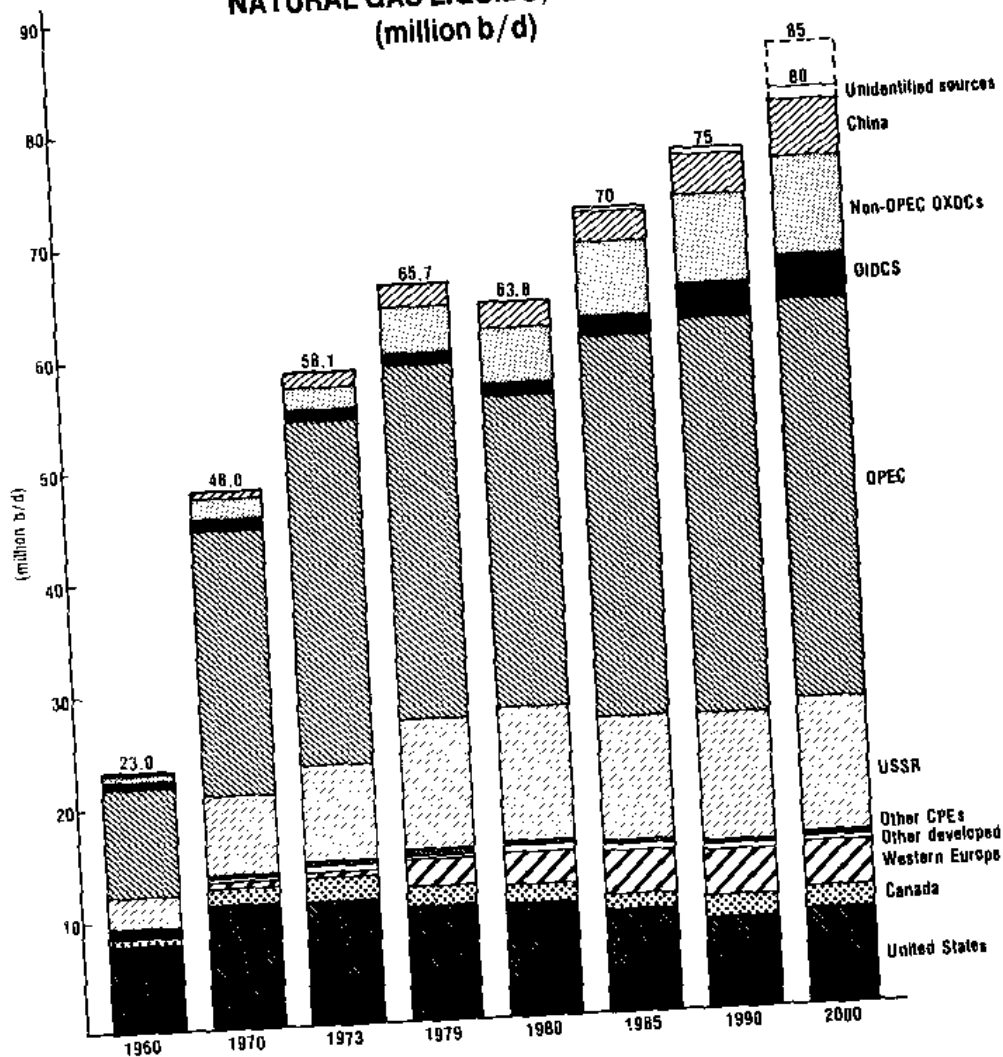
North Sea oil production is likely to rise during the next few years but could decline during the 1990s, unless new virgin exploration in the more difficult and unknown northern areas met with success. Prospects for expanded output in other industrialized countries do not look bright for expanded output, although there could be surprises from the vast areas offshore north-western Australia.

Several producing regions of the world have reached [maturity](#). US production, despite the large contribution of Alaska, has continued to decline slightly. This trend presently looks very difficult to reverse. The huge increase in exploratory drilling has only stabilized the rate of additions to reserves in the lower 48 states. Most studies now envisage a decline in output during the 1980s.¹⁹⁻²⁰

Production of conventional light and medium crude oils from existing fields in western Canada appears to have leveled and is expected to decline. But this decline is likely to be more than offset towards the end of the 1980s by new discoveries in the western provinces and frontier areas, as well as development of tar-sands and heavy oil.

Other important countries where production of crude oil appears to be approaching a plateau are Algeria, Indonesia, Libya, Nigeria, Qatar, and Venezuela (see Chapter Chapter

6. WORLD PRODUCTION OF CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS, 1960-2000 (million b/d)



Source: Petro-Canada/Petroleos de Venezuela, *World Oil Supply Prospects*, February 1980.

II). All of these happen to be OPEC members. In 1980, together with the US and Canada, they will account for an estimated 15% of world production. OPEC countries can be distinguished between those with mature provinces from which little extra production can be expected, and those with substantial potential for expansion but which, with the possible exception of Iraq, no longer are interested in developing capacity rapidly.

Four of the most important OPEC countries are dedicated conservers. They do not all wish to produce at capacity and are reluctant to undertake further large scale expansion. These are Iran, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates. Their production in 1980 is expected to average less than 15 million b/d, accounting for 24% of world production.

OPEC countries at present contribute about 45% of the world's oil supply. These 13 countries' production of crude oil and natural gas liquids was 27 million b/d in 1980, and is estimated at about 25 million b/d for 1981." As things presently stand, they are unlikely to expand output of crude oil beyond 33 million b/d by 1985, hardly rising thereafter.

Undoubtedly the most contentious issue between developed consuming nations and OPEC countries will be the rate of development and production in the few countries where there is a large potential for expansion. (See Chapter [11.2]) These are Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, the OAF, and Venezuela.

[N 1979 there were about 15 non-OPEC OXIs. Together they produced at least 4 mm b/d in 1980. This could

“The 13 OPEC countries are: Algeria, Ecuador, Gabon, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Nigeria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, and Venezuela.

*" The 15 non-OPEC developing countries which were net oil exporters in 1979 are: Angola, Bahrain, Bolivia, Brunei, Cameroon (since 1979), Congo, Egypt, Malaysia, Mexico, on, FRB, Syria, Trinidad & Tobago, Tunisia, and Zaire. Bunter bad was a marginal exporter in 1978.

C. Oil Resources

Is the world's oil resource base large enough to support these expectations for future oil production?

There have been Tinny estimates of ultimate recoverable reserves of conventional oil. They are no more than academic, as they are guesses at the unknown. But they do give some indication of the constraint on the rate at which additions may be made to presently known reserves of conventional oil.

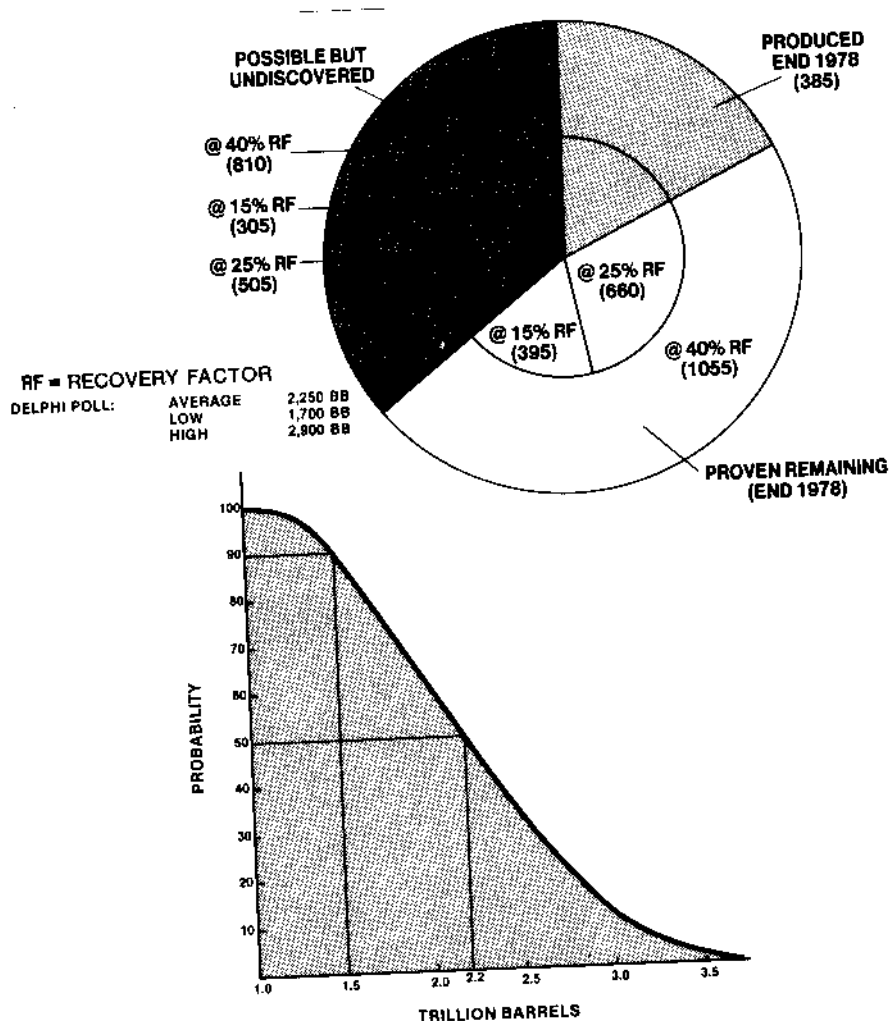
Past production of oil amounts to about 400 billion *barrels (BB)*. Remaining known reserves are estimated in the order of 660 BB, enough to last 35 years at the present level of output. Additional potential resources could be in the order of 1,200 BB in the average estimate of a range of experts, published in the Iksprairies report to the Conservation Commission of the World Energy Conference in 1977. Thus it estimated total resources at roughly 2,250 BB; the pessimistic end centered around 1,700 BB, and the optimistic around 2,900 BB.

The world's known reserves are highly concentrated in a relatively few countries. The ten largest with 20 BB or more each contain 80% of the total: in order, Saudi Arabia, Soviet Union, Kuwait, Iran, US, Iraq, ORE, Mexico, Libya, and China. Alternatively put, OPEC countries contain 68% of the total, the Middle Eastern member countries 55% and Saudi Arabia alone 25%.

The world's oil reserves are concentrated in a relatively few sedimentary basins. There are roughly 600 worldwide, depending on how they are defined. There are producible hydrocarbons in nearly 240. But just 30 contain 90% of the world's recoverable oil, and two of these (Arabian Iranian and West Siberian) have over half.

Additions to world oil reserves have depended heavily on the discovery of giant oil fields, and this is likely to remain true for the future. World reserves are concentrated in just a small number of large fields. Of about 30,000 fields worldwide, there are less than 1,900 (or 6%) which each

7. WORLD ULTIMATE RECOVERABLE RESOURCES (billion barrels)



Source: World Energy Conference, 1977.

Source: P.J. Wood, *World Oil*, June 1979.

Contain the equivalent of 50 million barrels or more of hydrocarbons (oil and gas). But they contain 93% of the world's known recoverable reserves. Unfortunately, estimates of world oil resources and *reserves* typically exclude so-called unconventional oil, such as deposits of very heavy oil, tar-sands, and oil-shale's as well as oil in polar regions and beneath deep water. This begs a large question, as these deposits are potentially huge. In the 1st, they have been little touched, because their development costs are much higher than those of conventional oil. At today's prices, *however*, they become increasingly economic to exploit. This is clearly the direction for the future, i.e., increasingly from conventional to non conventional oil.

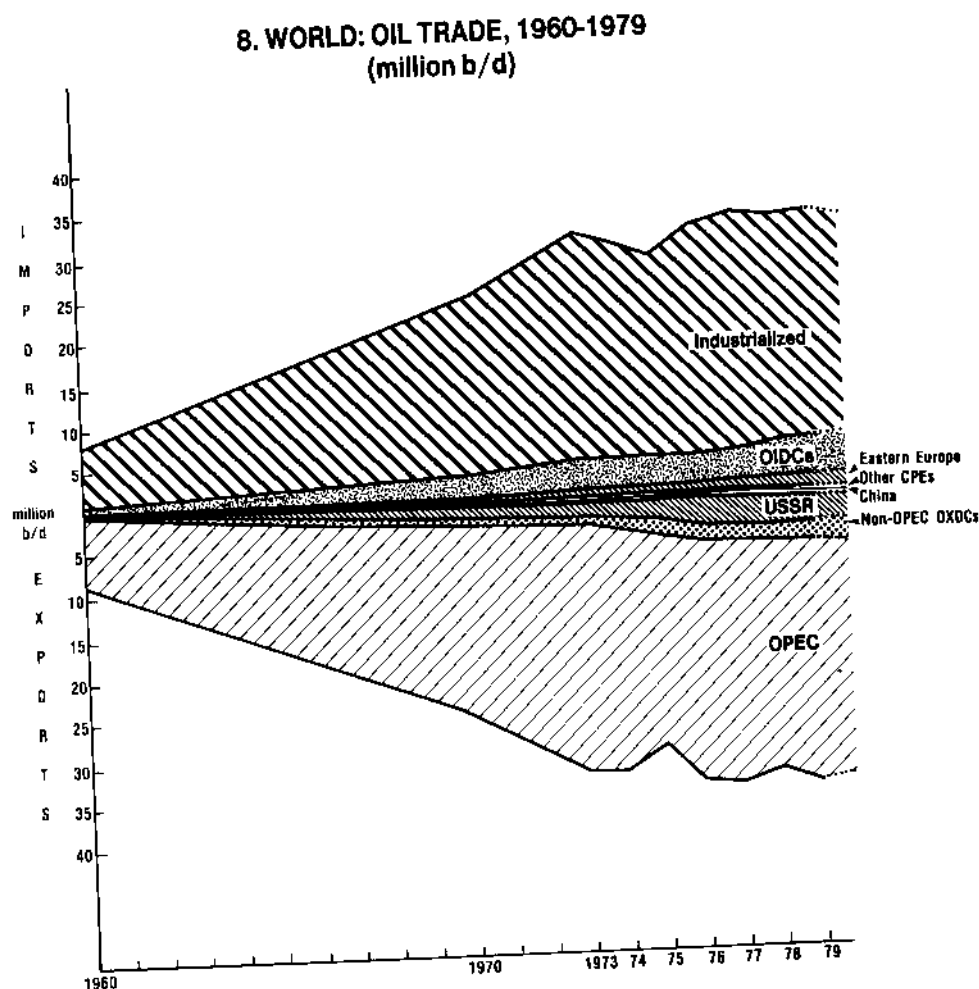
D. Exploration and Development Efforts

Higher oil prices have improved the economic viability of exploitation of *early* fields, enhanced recovery, exploration in high-cost areas such as *shallow* and *deep* water, heavy oil, tar-sand, and oil-shale deposits, and fields with *root* reservoir characteristics.

Even though exploration efforts in new provinces are likely to find the larger fields in the *earlier* stages of exploration program, there could still be *smaller* fields which would be well worth looking for thereafter. In *remote* countries small fields will continue to be found well into the next century. Their cumulative impact

could be great, and their support to economies including those of the oil-importing developing countries will be significant. (See also Chapters III and IV.) Some of the future *increase* in world oil reserves will come from enhanced recovery from existing fields rather than from discovery of new fields. Prospects are strengthened by second phase discoveries in older established basins, encouraged by improved economic viability of smaller fields at today's oil prices, better technology and exploration concepts, offshore extensions, and *deeper* drilling.

Exploration techniques have improved significantly in recent years. Drilling techniques have greatly advanced,



Source: BP Statistical Review, 1980.

Particularly in polar and deep water regions such as the Canadian Arctic and offshore Labrador. But good judgment is still fundamental to successful exploration. It still remains true that the evaluation of geological provinces is very dependent on the degree to which high grade prospects are tested by the drill. Relatively small areas of sedimentary basins can contain significant volumes of oil.

Of the world's ultimate recoverable resources of oil, a substantial part could lie offshore. Attention has thus far been focused on the continental shelf. Little is known about the deep water basins in the adjacent continental margin. Uncertainties are political, economic, geological, and technological. The problem is development, not exploration. Oil cannot yet technically be produced from potential fields in deep water. Provided this problem is solved, the next will be the cost of producing any oil found.

Heavy oils and--even more so--the bitumen in tar-sand deposits have been the Cinderella of the crude oil market. Their economic feasibility has brightened considerably at today's oil prices. Future extension will involve enormous capital investment with long lead-times a) in extraction, including enhanced

recovery and b) in upgrading. The pace of development will be set not only by technological and environmental constraints but also by government policy. Increasing volumes will come on stream during the next two decades but at a relatively slow pace.

Shale oil production is small, though resources are huge. At present oil prices, projects may at last be approaching threshold of economic viability, though very little development has begun. There are huge environmental and technological problems in their exploitation on a commercial scale.

E. International Oil Market

World oil trade is mostly supplied from OPEC countries. The balance comes from other OROCS, the Soviet Union, and PR China.

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TABLE I-1: WORLD OIL TRADE, 1979-80					
Exporters	1979	(million b/d)		1979	<u>1980</u>
		1980	Importers	9	
OPEC countries	28.7	25.0	Industrialized	27.2	24.8
Other OXUCs	2.0	3.0	OIOCS	4.5	4.5
Soviet Union	2.8	2.8	Eastern Europe	1.9	2.0
PR China	<u>0.3</u>	<u>0.2</u>	Other CPES	<u>0.2</u>	<u>0.2</u>
				33.8	31.5
			Stock rundown afloat		<u>0.5</u>
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International oil supplies in 1979 were tight, because of the disruption to Iranian exports. During the first quarter, the constraint resulted in a strong rundown of stocks ashore and afloat above the usual seasonal rate. Oil importers quickly rebuilt stocks in subsequent months of 1979 to a safe working level, plus an additional stock cushion to provide some measure of protection against increased insecurity of supply. They were accordingly willing to buy for stockpiling at prevailing spot prices much higher than official export prices, in the expectation that they could pass on the higher procurement costs to customers. This oil balance for 1979 was initially dismaying and certainly strained. It finally resolved itself, helped in part by the slowdown in oil consumption in industrialized countries (particularly the US).

The oil balance during 1980 was less strained, because of the economic downturn in industrialized countries, and the extraordinary stock build which continued during the year. Oil imports were more than 2 million b/d lower than in 1979. The decline reflects lower consumption in the US and Western Europe. On the supply side, exports from non-OPEC (DUES (above all Mexico)) were 1 million b/d more than in 1979, but OPEC countries' exports were almost 4 million b/d less.

In 1980, the Iraqi-Iranian conflict did not significantly disrupt world supplies, and any short-term deficiencies were compensated from stocks and increased output from other OXDCS. But the balance was very fragile and could easily have been shattered, for example if oil exports from the Middle East or elsewhere were further disrupted or were insufficiently available.

In 1981, the market has eased greatly, reflecting a decline in oil consumption in industrialized countries.

The prospects for the next two decades presently appear to be at best a continuance of international oil trade at its 1979 level, on grounds of constraints in exports from OPEC countries and the Soviet Union, together with imports stagnant in industrialized countries but rising in OXDCS.

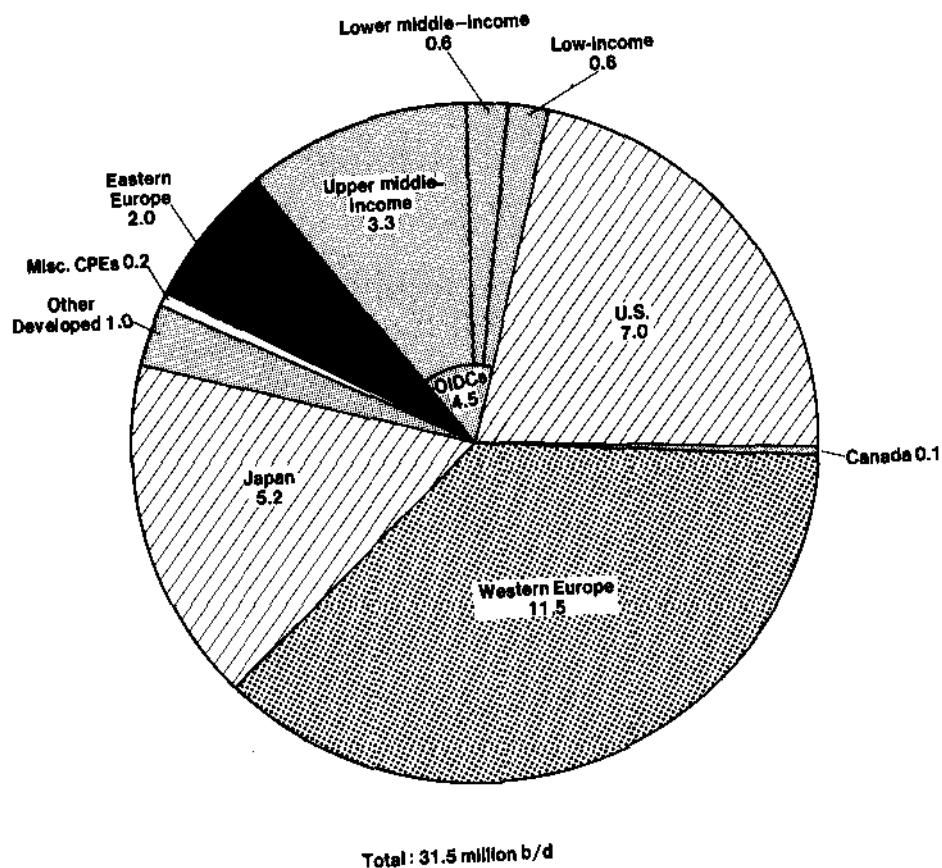
1 Net Export

As things stand at present, exports from OPEC countries are generally envisaged to be less than 30 mm b/d during the next two decades, in view of a) constraints in expansion in capacity and allowable production and h) growth of their domestic oil market

A large increase in production is foreseen for nonOPEC oil exporters during the next two decades. But consumption of energy and particularly oil in aYDCS (including OPEC countries) continues to increase rapidly, fuelled by strong economic and population growth. Pricing and other policies to make for tore efficient energy use are often weak. Thus it does not follow that oil exports from non-OPEC (%DCS will continue their previous rapid expansion. Eben were this technically feasible, these countries tray impose Flinch policy ceilings on production or exlnrts, as Mexico does now. For these reasons, it is felt that exports fran these countries are unlikely to exceed 4 nm b/d through the 1990s.

Chinese policy has shifted significantly since 1977 towards an accelerated develop tent of its oil resources, to fuel its modernization program. Projections of oil exports from PR (J) rime remain speculative. There is a general feeling that mast production in the several years ahead may be absorbed by the burgeoning domestic market, leaving a relatively snail share for export. Even this assumption mull proves optimistic, unless the new exploration efforts in *untested* frontier areas on and offshore are successful.

9. WORLD: ESTIMATED OIL IMPORTS, 1980
(Including Bunkers) (millions b/d)



Source: John Foster, estimate, October 1980.

A particular area of uncertainty is the extent to which the Soviet Union/Eastern European bloc finny nave from being a net exporter (1 mm bfd

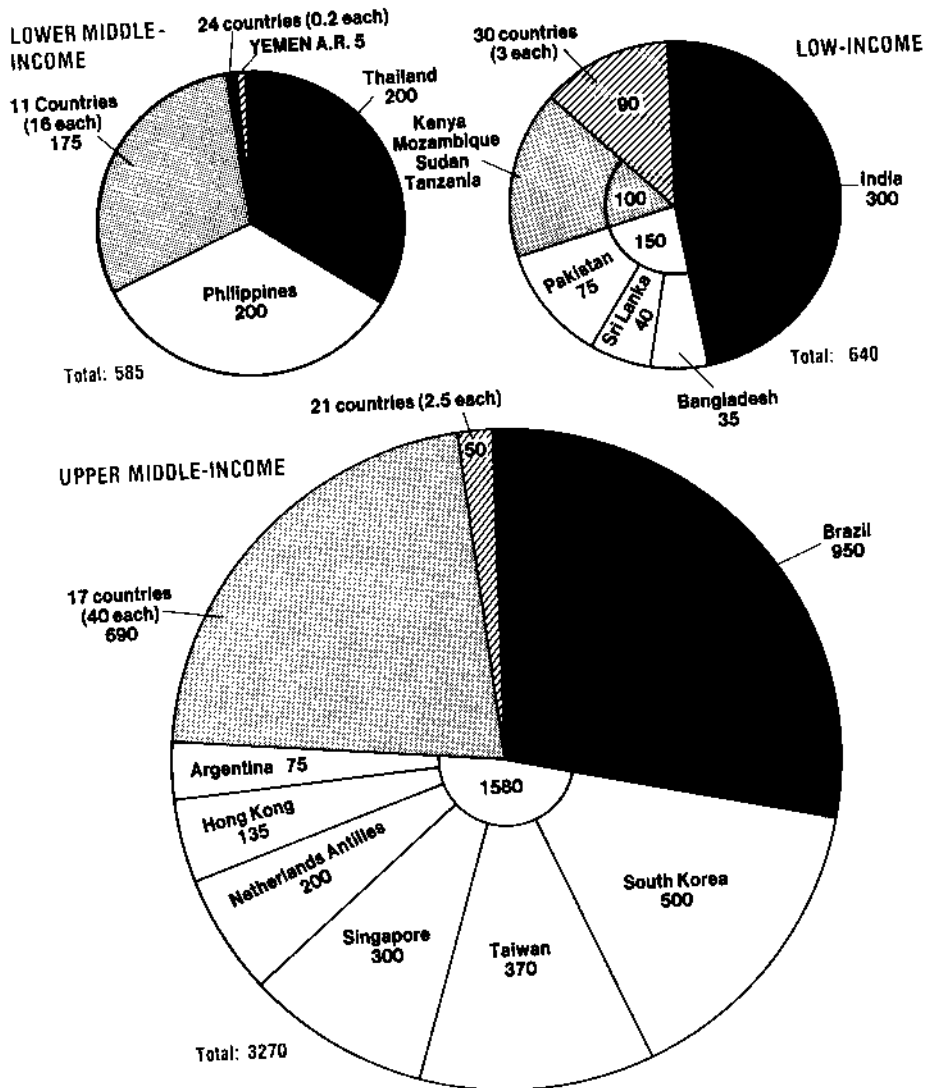
in 1980) to becoming a net importer (see page 24). Eastern European countries' dependence for imported oil is likely to expand from its present level (2 mm b/d), given the limited scope for expansion of domestic energy supplies. Hence they will probably turn increasingly to the Middle East for incremental oil imports.

This leads to a widely held view that the Soviet bloc may become a net oil importer during the 1980s. The CIA's view published in 1980 envisaged net imports of at least 1 mm b/d by 1985, and some others are beginning to move towards it. If they are right, pressures on international oil trade could become acute. The problem is largely logistical; the Soviet Union has huge *unexploited energy* sources but they are mainly in *remote, physically inhospitable* areas and will take great efforts and time to exploit. If successful achievements lead to a brighter outcome for oil production than is generally supposed, this would be global good fortune. There are many unknown variables which could *ameliorate* their prospects for oil trade. They include improved energy efficiency (for which there is huge potential), *accelerated* development of energy resources, and substitution of other energy forms for oil. *However, even* if oil consumption in the Soviet Union were to grow only slightly and output were to hold level, the bloc still might have to phase out its net exports and could become a net importer during the second half of the 1980s.

ii. Net Imports

Earlier we had discussed aspects of oil consumption and production in the more than 120 OICs. The volume of their oil imports *grew by just under 7%* p.a. during the *decade*, similar to that of the 1960s. OIC imports in 1980 are estimated at about 4.5 mm b/d, after taking into account

10. OIL-IMPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES: ESTIMATED OIL IMPORTS, 1980
 (Including Bunkers) (thousand b/d)



Note: Definition of OIDs excludes the middle-income countries of Southern Europe.
Source: John Foster, estimate, October, 1980.

Total production of 1.25 mm b/d from some 14 countries. The cost of these oil imports and the implication for current account deficits are discussed in Chapter ii.

We find a great concentration of oil imports into a relatively few OIOCs. This is hardly surprising, as it reflects the strong skew in distribution of oil consumption between OIIDS, offset for only about 14 countries by domestic oil production.

First, let it be said that the 14 which produced oil in 1979 account for almost half or 2.2 mm b/d of net imports by OIIDS. ** Most of these countries are in Latin America and the others basically in Asia. Despite their oil production, the oil imports of those 14 OIIDS accelerated in growth from 7% p.a. in the 1960s to ~a p.a. in the 1970s, reflecting their strong economic growth and the slower growth in oil output.

Significantly, several of these producing countries are the largest oil consumers. The three largest producers and largest consumers are: Brazil, Argentina, and India. This may not be entirely coincidental, as they have had the greatest incentives to look for and develop oil fields to supply their large domestic markets.

It is instructive to look at the oil import of OIIDS from the viewpoint of per capita GNP. The upper-middle income countries will import the lion's share of all OIIDS' imports in 1980, some 3.3 mm b/d. Brazil is the giant of them all, importing 900-950,000 b/d (approximately 20% of OIIDS imports).

* OIIDS imports are estimated by the World Bank at 6.2 mm b/d in 1980 (president's address to Board of Governors, September 1980). Imports include those of Portugal, Spain, Greece, Israel, South Africa, Turkey, US territories, and Yugoslavia (2.2 mm b/d) and exclude bunkers (0.5 mm b/d).

**z The 14 OIIDS which produced oil in 1979 are: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Rep. of China, Colombia, Ghana, Guatemala, India, Ivory Coast, Pakistan, Philippines, and marginally Afghanistan and Barbados.

Another six countries import 1.6 mm b/d together. Two of them are the other main net importers in Latin America, Argentina and Netherlands Antilles, as others such as Chile and Colombia are closer to self-sufficiency. The other four are the newly industrialised countries of East Asia: South Korea, Hong Kong, Singapore, and Rep. of China (Taiwan). The remaining 740,000 b/d of oil imports into upper middle-income OIIDS is spread over some 38 countries. Almost all goes to the 17 which each import in a range of 10-100,000 b/d (40,000 b/d averages). The balance goes to 21 countries (2,500 b/d ~chi), mostly island-states.

In contrast, the lower middle-income countries import just 600,000 b/d. Of this amount, Thailand and the Philippines import 200,000 b/d each. Another 11 countries import more than 10,000 b/d each (16,000 b/d each) and one (Yemen AR) 5,000 b/d. The balance of 24 countries import an average of 200 b/d each.

Similarly the low-income OIIDS import just 600,000 b/d. India accounts for one half, Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka for one-quarter together, and the remaining quarter is spread over 35 countries, mostly African such as the Sahara. Twenty of them each import on the order of 1-10,000 b/d, and ten of them less than 1,000 b/d each. Thus for many countries, the oil import volume is minuscule in relation to world oil trade. But to each of them their oil imports could be a heavy burden.

IF THE PROSPECTS FOR THE NEXT TWO DECADES ARE TRULY FOR INCREASING CONSTRAINT ON INTERNATIONAL OIL SUPPLIES AND FOR JUST A MODEST INCREASE IN ACCESS TO THESE SUPPLIES BY OIL-IMPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, THE IMPLICATION IS INESCAPABLE THAT DEVELOPED COUNTRIES WILL IMPORT NO MORE BY AT PRESENT, AND QUITE LIKELY LESS. THIS was recognised by industrialized countries within the IEA, EEC, and the Seven in the formulation of oil import targets. (See Chapter 11.3.) Except for the few industrialized countries with prospects of expanding their production of hydrocarbons, this raises the key issue of demand restraint. Their oil consumption could be supply constrained during the next two decades to levels lower than in 1979-80.

E. Crude Oil Prices

The international oil scene has turned around since 1978. This is in large part due to the recent turmoil of political events in the

Middle East.

International oil prices surged during 1979 due in part to panic buying by consumers in the wake of the Iranian oil disruption. The "spot" market became overheated and crude oil was bought at prices several dollars higher than official export prices. Transactions at spot price grew rapidly to become 25-30% of international oil trade, as opposed to the 3-5% previously characteristic of the spot market. However, today the differentiation between long-term and spot deals is

becoming increasingly blurred.

During 1980, international oil was still traded at different tiers of official prices. Saudi Arabia increased its prices in December 1979 and May 1980 with the announced intention of moving towards price unification. But other prices advanced in step.

In early 1981, the marker price (Saudi Arabian Light) was US\$32 Jar Carrel fob. Official prices for most Middle Eastern crude oils were on the order of US\$35-36, to which differing premiums were added. It remains to be seen whether international oil prices will finally realign themselves during the next year. The odds on this happening have increased, with lower demand for OPEC oil and continued high Saudi output.

The balance between world energy demand and supply is fragile. The one certainty is continued surprise and uncertainty. The prudent conclusion for policy decisions is that constraints on international oil supplies could remain with us for the foreseeable future. The outcome could, of course, prove quite different. The international oil market could tighten or weaken for a variety of combining factors, it could make real oil prices jump again, it could conversely put them under downward pressure e.g., if demand for imported oil were by chance to fall below a critical (but unknown and so far untested) level, to which OPEC might find it hard to adjust output. But this takes no account of disruptions for political, military supply, or other reasons.

On present evidence, we believe it prudent to plan on a continuously tight oil market with modest increases in real prices (say 2-3% p.a.). 4

ENERGY OTHER THAN OIL

During the 1960s and indeed until 1973-74 when international oil prices quadrupled, there was a strong worldwide substitution of oil and gas--and increasingly nuclear power--for coal. By 1973 oil had increased its share of energy mix in developed and developing countries to 54%, and gas to 19%.

Since then, there has been much concern expressed in oil-importing countries to reduce dependence on imported oil and to promote the development of indigenous energy supplies. In particular, coal consumption is gradually picking up, momentum, growing by 5% p.a. from the during year of 1960s to 1979, compared with (about) 1% p.a.

But the slow pace of economic recovery has dampened energy demand particularly in the industrial and electricity generation sectors. This has adversely affected conversion back to coal consumption, as have requisite measures. Similar factors plus that of public acceptability have slowed the completion of nuclear power stations. Natural gas is a preferred fuel, but domestic supplies have been constrained in the US have been Netherlands by technical, natural gas (LNG) financial, and regulatory difficulties.

There seems to be a consensus that future non-oil supplies will grow but slowly during the 1980s and into the 1990s. If economic growth were more ebullient, there could be a faster expansion of non-oil supplies. For example, more coal might be used in electricity generation. The expansion of non-oil supplies will nevertheless require a huge effort. It could represent virtually a doubling during the next two decades. Coal may provide about one-third of the increment, and gas and nuclear power about one-quarter each.

In view of growing public concern over nuclear power issues, rapid expansion of coal and nuclear power of industrialized countries (post-Three Mile Island) is difficult, though planned. A major constraint in the development of nuclear power in developing countries has

been the concern of supplier countries about the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons, matched by the concern of recipient countries to retain the principle of sovereignty over national policies.

Hydroelectric power and other forms of renewable energy are seen to provide only a small share of the increment for most countries during the 1980s. But the expectations of strong research and development programs in renewable energy forms such as solar, wind, tides, and biomass should lead to accelerated growth in their use during the 1990s.

5. NATURAL GAS

Natural gas is likely to make an increasing major contribution to world energy supplies. It will be an important transitional fuel. Gas expansion in the past has been held back by technological and economic constraints. These have recently been greatly reduced. As gas is relatively expensive to transport compared with oil or coal, its production has historically been developed in countries close to large energy markets, particularly the developed and socialist countries. It has been relatively little exploited in developing countries. Unlike oil, gas cannot be widely marketed until a costly pipeline network for local distribution is built. Natural gas now looks likely to be the fastest growing energy source in the developing countries as well as elsewhere worldwide. Moreover, international trade in gas is likely to grow even faster than its consumption.

The development of gas resources has been inadequately pursued in the developing countries. But a substantial part of the growth of conventional natural gas production during the next two decades is expected to take place in these countries. Expansion of local gas usage should be considered the main policy aim. But where the domestic market is limited, exports by pipeline or LNG tanker may be advantageous. Where the export market is very distant, it may be worth converting the gas into methanol prior to shipment rather than liquefying it.

LNG technology is highly advanced but readily available. The main markets are the US, Western Europe, and Japan.

Existing LNG exporters are OPEC countries (Algeria, Indonesia, Libya, and UAE), Brunei, and the US (Alaska), while gas is exported by pipeline from the Soviet Union. Other LNG projects are under construction or at the planning stage.

In recent years pricing, financial, economic, technical, and environmental reasons have led to the delay and cancellation of many projects. In particular, the high cost of moving gas compared with liquid and solid fuels has made for a relatively low price netback for gas at the wellhead. Hence petroleum-producing countries have typically pursued other uses for their natural gas. These include reinjection for oil field pressure maintenance, other field applications, extraction of natural gas liquids for domestic and export markets, and other crucial applications for the gas in local markets, particularly energy-intensive industries such as petrochemicals and aluminum-smelting. The balance of the gas is being flared when it is produced in association with crude oil, or is being shut in when it is non-associated.

Today's international oil prices have greatly improved the economic viability of LNG projects. By the same token, they have also improved those of other high-cost sources of energy and gas in countries which are now energy deficient, and investment decisions for LNG projects will have to be justified in relation to the possibilities for alternative energy supplies.

Deep conventional gas refers to accumulations found at depths greater than 4,000 metres. The potential for such gas accumulations may be much greater than has been assumed in the past. They could well be a part of the world's major fossil fuel sources when oil begins to be depleted in the next century.

A major deterrent may be the increased cost of seismic surveys and drilling. In some countries where oil reserves are plentiful, there is little incentive to drill where the sources go deeper, especially if there is no ready market for large gas discoveries. The Middle East could have giant deep gas deposits, but it is doubtful if these horizons will be tested until oil reserves will have to be more drastically depleted.

Considerable attention has recently been given to the possibilities of finding and

producing unconventional natural gas with today's higher energy prices and improved technology. Much of this gas is not yet explored. Hence any estimates of gas in place are highly speculative. Even if the gas does exist, we cannot now predict that it can be produced economically in significant amounts. Nevertheless, a comprehensive survey of energy resources must include these unconventional gases. They include gas dissolved in water (including geo pressured gas), natural gas from coal-beds, gas from Devonian shale's, gas from tight sands, and ~s hydrates.

6. Coal

The world's resources and reserves of solid fuels (coal, brown coal, lignite, and peat) are huge, much larger than those of oil and gas. They are unevenly distributed geographically. Most of the known reserves are concentrated in three countries: the Soviet Union, Pit China, and the United States. The balance is mostly in a relatively few other countries, including: Australia, Canada, Britain, FR Germany, South Africa, Poland, DE Germany, Czechoslovakia, and some developing countries, in particular India and Republic of Korea as well as Botswana, Colombia, Mozambique, Vietnam, and Zimbabwe. Much of the world's production is also in these countries.

The geographical concentration of known coal reserves may also reflect large differences in intensity of exploration effort. The world's ultimate recoverable resources of added fuels are still poorly known. There are many countries which are believed to have untapped and unassisted coal reserves. Africa and South America have only sporadically been examined for coal. Worldwide, a large production base exists which could be expanded, if markets were developed.

The international oil price increases since 1973 have made coal competitive in many end-uses where previously it was not. There are now great raw opportunities for expansion. No entirely new technologies would need to be developed, as coal was at one time the dominant commercial fuel worldwide. But improved technology is desirable, to reduce costs and adverse environmental impacts. The single largest end-use for coal in recent years is in electric power generation, where the technology for coal burning has significantly improved, including the introduction of fluidized bed combustion. New opportunities for coal usage, particularly in developed countries, could include the development of plants to produce synthetic oil and gas in future decades.

In early 1980 the World Coal Study (WOX) Liu said that "coal will have to supply between one-half and two-thirds of the additional energy needed by the world during the next 20 years, even under moderate energy growth... To achieve this goal, world coal production will have to increase 2.5-3 times, and the world trade in steam coal will have to grow 10-15 times above 1979 levels."

Industrialised countries are likely to move strongly back to the use of coal. Among them, the US is the single largest coal consumer and producer. *Developing* countries have new opportunities to exploit smaller coalfields, which may be large enough to contribute to their domestic energy needs. For these countries, the key to resource development lies with government policies to encourage such exploitation, which UN agencies should increasingly be willing to assist (See Chapter IV).

A critical issue for the expansion of coal demand is its acceptability to end-users. Other problems include reliability of supply from an industry which has not enjoyed the best management/labour relations. Particularly in developed countries, unresolved questions on environmental issues have typically not been adequately covered, for example, air pollution, acid rain, and the accumulation of CO₂ in the atmosphere. It is not known whether there is serious risk of climatic change from the rapid expansion of fossil fuel use. There is a lack of consensus on the seriousness of future accumulations of CO₂ and its implication for energy policies. The problem needs continuous monitoring, but it is not yet generally envisaged to constitute a serious limitation on coal development.

Meanwhile, there are serious constraints on the expansion of coal supplies which need governments' attention. These include the environmental impact of strip-mining, recruitment of miners and engineers, the lead-times and considerable investments needed to establish and expand mines, transport, storage, handling, and port facilities. Despite

these constraints, there is likely to be a substantial increase in coal demand and output. At present, most exports are from the US, Australia, South Africa, FR Germany, and Poland; Canada is a growing net exporter. Major importers include France, Italy, and Japan. Most trade is in coking-coal for steel-making, though some steam coal is also traded. There could be a very sharp increase in international trade of coal, in particular steam coal. Australia is likely to expand dramatically its coal exports during the next two decades. South Africa could also do the same. Poland will continue to export but may not be able to expand significantly. Of the developing countries, Botswana, Colombia, Venezuela, India, and Mozambique may become exporters in the future. Underground coal gasification offers a relatively low-cost, environmentally sound method to produce clean fuels from coal. This opens up the opportunity to exploit coal which is unminable by present-day techniques. It could thereby enable vast and widely distributed resources to be reclassified as recoverable reserves. The Soviet Union has developed a commercial technology which US interests have purchased. Field tests in the US to date have confirmed the potential economic and environmental advantages of this technique. Critical technical environmental issues are being resolved, and the process is being scaled-up. Interest could lead to commercial direction to the US by late 1980s.

Often neglected in earlier years, solid fuels of low calorific value have recently seen an upsurge in their development. In descending order of heating value, they include sub-bituminous coal, brown coal, lignite, and peat.

World reserves of brown coal and lignite are large, some 10% by heating value of all solid fuels. Production in 1978 amounted to more than 900 million tons of hard coal equivalent and represented about 14% of all solid fuel production. Some countries have exploited sub-bituminous coal, lignite, and peat for many decades. The supply of brown coal comes mainly from the Soviet Union as well as Czechoslovakia, DR Germany, FR Germany and--to a lesser extent--some other European countries, Australia and some Asian countries. Recently there

have been large-scale plans to expand the use of lignite in the Gulf States of the US. The environmental impact of strip-mining brown coal and lignite is great, and well-designed laws are a pre-requisite.

The cost of transporting solid fuels of low heating value is high. Consequently, it makes economic sense to burn these fuels in applications close to the mine. For example, they can be used as fuel in mine mouth electric power stations. The technology of power generation from large peat-fuel boilers has reached an advanced stage of development in several countries including the Soviet Union, Finland, and Ireland.

7. Nuclear POWER

Most governments have pinned great hopes on nuclear power. But these aspirations have been frustrated to a considerable degree by a barrage of serious obstacles. The present outlook for nuclear power is consequently uncertain in all respects.

A. Industrialized Countries

The outlook for nuclear power is very mixed. The Soviet Union and France are implementing programs which will greatly increase their nuclear capacities, while in the US and some other countries, development of nuclear power continues to be retarded by public concern with safety and economic issues.

In the United States, public confidence in safety was badly shaken by the accident in March 1979 at Three Mile Island, Pennsylvania, where the Kemeny Commission's report found great inadequacies in operational competence and in government and public utility safety procedures. There are concerns about reactor safety, radioactive emissions, thermal effects, disposal of wastes, and siting. The treatment of spent fuel elements, radioactive wastes and decommissioned reactors are not solved.

Furthermore, in some countries such as the US, nuclear power is not

demonstrating the clear economic advantages which had earlier been expected. There have been rising capital costs, longer lead-times, high repair cost, longer down-time for repairs and maintenance, and financing difficulties. There are also strong doubts voiced whether economic comparisons of nuclear versus other forms of generating electricity have fully taken into account such costs as decommissioning nuclear power stations, disposing of radioactive wastes, and retrofitting plants with equipment to satisfy improved safety and environmental standards. Long lead-times and the burden of interest-during-construction at today's money costs have compounded the present lack of enthusiasm among host electricity corporations to install new nuclear plants unless they are already advanced in construction.

Meanwhile, the slowdown in economic growth since 1973 has sharply reduced the growth of electricity demand. This has fallen disproportionately on nuclear power which had been expected to account for much of electric incremental capacity.

All these factors have led to the deferral or cancellation of a large number of orders for new plants in a number of industrialized countries.

Despite these radically lowered expectations, nuclear energy is still expected to account for a gradually rising share of electricity generation in a number of industrial countries. A few (particularly France and the Soviet Union) are also moving ahead towards introducing breeders. Plans in Britain, FR Germany, and Japan for breeders have been delayed, and those in the US suspended.

B. Developing Countries

Technical complexity and proliferation have not per se ruled out consideration of nuclear energy for developing countries. However, the number of such countries which can handle the technology and have a large enough electricity sector to accordant major increments of base-load generating capacity is relatively limited.

For example, Argentina, Brazil, India, Mexico, Pakistan, and South Korea have active programs. Elsewhere, most developing countries are going slow in their approach towards nuclear power at this time. (See also Chapter IV.)

Non-Proliferation

The issue of nuclear energy in the context of international relations raises concerns of weapons proliferation in developed and developing countries alike. No matter how dangerous these concerns are, nuclear power is still an enticing neap of solving the energy problem. Yet because of the nature of nuclear power, it raises all kinds of internal and external political and social problems within all kinds of societies.

If a developing country wants the nuclear option, either for peaceful or other uses, it must inevitably obtain assistance from a nuclear supplier country, typically one of the industrialized countries. The issue as perceived by nuclear supplier countries is therefore how they can export nuclear power technology and technology on a basis which would ensure that nuclear materials would not be directed by governments for weapons or by terrorist groups for non-peaceful ends. This raises questions whether existing international agencies can adequately apply nuclear safeguards, and whether supplier countries should weigh up the political and strategic risks in relations with recipient countries.

The International Consultative Group on Nuclear Energy," which included members from both developed and developing countries, felt that "if nuclear power is to be available to meet an increasing fraction of the world's future energy needs, at least five conditions will have to be satisfied": I) nuclear power, despite the difficulty of the short-term clip, tee, will have to be systematically developed, without interruption or undue delay, ii) nuclear power must earn and retain public acceptance, iii) technologies for using uranium more efficiently must be developed and tested as soon as possible, with both the coming decades and the 21st century in mind, iv) the fear of nuclear weapons proliferation resulting from an expansion of nuclear power must be further reduced, and v) countries depending on nuclear technology, services or materials to ensure their energy supply must be convinced of continued international access to them, under safeguards, on acceptable terms.

The Nuclear Non-Proliferation *Treaty* had already a decade ago incorporated a

provision that nations without nuclear weapons would agree not to acquire them and would accept international safeguards on their nuclear facilities, including IAEA inspection. In return, nations with nuclear weapons would help realize the benefits of the "peaceful atom" available to signatories of the treaty and would make progress on nuclear arms control and disarmament. Thereupon, numerous countries introduced large nuclear power programs.

With a view to reducing the risks of nuclear weapons' proliferation, the Nuclear Suppliers Club was formed in 1975 and has issued guidelines for tightened fuel cycle safeguards in nuclear exports.

The US enacted the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Act in 1978, under which the US would supply nuclear fuel, services, and technology only if recipients would accept a US veto over certain fuel cycle activities. Canada and Australia also made acceptance of full safeguards a condition for further nuclear cooperation. But assertions of most European countries, Japan and developing countries took exception to the US restrictions and were unwilling to *defer* reprocessing spent fuel, recycling plutonium in existing reactors, and introducing breeder reactors.

In response to other countries' adverse reaction to US non-proliferation measures, the US initiated in 1977 the International Nuclear Fuel Cycle Evaluation (INFCE) as a SO-country study which might identify fuel cycles with a minimum danger of weapons proliferation's. It completed its report in early 1980. It did not find a technical fix to restricting nations' access to weapons-grade material, though it did indicate fuel cycle modifications which could make plutonium less easy to steal.

With prospects diminished for nuclear power, and improved for uranium reserves, the early needs for breeder reactors and large-scale reprocessing of spent fuel have also lessened. Nevertheless, some nations' interests continue as ever in access to uranium and in breeder reactor programs. Nor are some countries willing to desist from reprocessing of spent fuel. Many countries continue to believe that the US unduly stresses the possibility of nations acquiring nuclear

Weapons through misuse of nuclear power programs rather than through plants operating in weapons production.

8. HYDROELECTRICITY

The use of hydroelectricity is expected to continue growing during the next two decades. New sites are becoming harder to come by in most developed countries other than Canada and Norway. But there are still huge opportunities in developing countries for hydroelectric projects.

Hydroelectricity has many evident advantages. It is a continuously renewable and widely distributed resource. It is nonpolluting, in that it does not produce by-products similar to thermal effluents. It can be integrated into multi-use developments. It is one of the more efficient energy conversion technologies. Projects have a long life, low operating costs and no fuel costs, and the technology is well-known. Generating plants can be expanded with relative ease. Energy is storable as water in the reservoirs.

Hydroelectricity does have certain disadvantages. It is highly capital-intensive. Most promising sites are far from markets. Projects can have undesirable environmental impacts. There are geo-political constraints associated with flooding.

The use of small-scale hydro plants had generally been declining in number for years. This trend may now be changing, particularly in developing countries. A striking example is PR China.

9. GEOTHERMAL ENERGY

Geothermal energy is the energy contained in the natural heat under the earth's surface. There are six kinds of geothermal systems: three of these are fully developed (dry steam fields, hot-water fields, and low-enthalpy fields) and three are at the stage of research and development (magma energy, depressurized zones, and hot dry rocks). Hot water fields are the most commonly exploited form of

geothermal energy. But dry-steam fields have the advantage that steam can be directly used in generating electric power. Geothermal energy can also be used in space-heating, horticulture, and pisciculture.²

Geothermal resources are very common and commercial nearly everywhere. The technology is mature, and expertise is available. But commercial development has until recently been slow. Development efforts of geothermal energy in recent years are impressive. Iceland is *by far* the leading country in the use of geothermal energy for space and greenhouse heating.

Other countries now exploiting geothermal energy include China, El Salvador, France, Hungary, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Mexico, New Zealand, Philippines, Soviet Union, and the US. The UN has made a key contribution in technical assistance towards this development. Worldwide, geothermal electric plants now amount to about 1,800 MW of installed capacity, compared with 680 MW in 1969. By 1985 perhaps 10,000 MW could be in operation based on known exploration work and projects.

10. OTHER RENEWABLE FORMS OF ENERGY

Interest in renewable energy has been increasing with the continued rise in international oil prices. In developed countries attention has been particularly focused at concentrated and large-scale application of renewable energy. In developing countries it is focused on decentralized and small-scale applications in rural areas.²

Renewable energy covers a range of energy sources. They include biomes, biogas, wind power, solar energy, tidal power, and others more at the research and development stage such as wave energy, salinity energy, ocean thermal energy conversion, electrostatic energy and magnetic electricity, and solar power satellites.

In the developing countries, only about half of the need for useful energy is met from commercial sources. Of the balance (mostly to rural areas), perhaps two-thirds are met from inanimate sources such as wood and one-third by muscular efforts of people and animals.

One single phenomenon which developing countries are experiencing is a high rate of urbanization. This implies a radical change in the supply base. Rural dwellers consume mostly non-commercial, locally produced energy forms, and they produce much of their own food. The basic needs of urban dwellers must be met from commercial and frequently imported supplies. Hence urbanization will lead to a vast expansion in the demand for commercially traded energy. But even by the end of the century, most Third World people will still live in rural areas, despite the migration to cities. And if energy based amenities were more available in the countryside, some experts believe the migration might be slowed.

The limited availability of energy infrastructure in many developing countries justifies the development of small resources near to markets. Still deposits will have an increasingly vital role, and *they* can supply small decentralized systems in rural areas. Small production units are needed and are available: geothermal, hydro, coal-mines, and oil-shale, oil, and gas fields.

The key problem for OILCs, particularly low-income countries, is the need for energy in food production and household use. This requires more efforts to develop new technologies for use of biomass, particularly fueled and charcoal. This resource base is fast being depleted or mismanaged. Most developing countries' population lives in the tropical and sub-tropical zones which receive the most solar radiation. This in principle gives much promise for prospects for solar energy and other renewable energy technologies applicable to rural areas. But much more will have to be done before these prospects can be realized on a large scale. These technologies were well assessed in the OECD's report on Renewable Energy Technologies for Developing Countries, which suggested the following criteria:

- A. reliability,
- B. ease of maintenance,
- C. feasible and optimum unit size, d. environmental impact,
- E. social and cultural suitability,
- F. feasibility of local, manufacture of components, g. expected future course of technological

Development.

Preponderantly Lit and kerosene for cooking and lighting, diesel oil for commercial transport, and fuel oil for electricity generation, rather than gasoline for private motoring.

It is helpful to distinguish developing countries into oil-importing and oil-exporting categories, in order to analyse oil's contribution to their foreign exchange Godden or earnings. This does not run simplistically that developing countries which import oil are in trouble and those which exports are in good shape. Economic performance is the result of many different factors. But oil trade is highly significant.

There are more than 120 Oils. Their oil consumption grew rapidly during 1960-73, by 8% p.a. It stagnated in the next two years to 1975 but then resumed growth at an estimated 5.5% p.a. to 1979, when it averaged some 5.6 mm b/d.* There have been increasing efforts to conserve the use of oil in these countries without at the same time harming economic growth. It is still too early to know how successful these efforts have been, this issue is discussed further in subsequent chapters.

Oil consumption in Odes is highly skewed in distribution. Most consume very little oil, and a relatively few countries account for most of the trade. (See E. below.)

This does not mean that the relatively small oil consumption in smaller countries is not important to their economies. On the contrary, these countries are among the most severely disadvantaged by high costs and potential scarcities of imported oil. But it indicates the order of magnitude of steps which may need to be taken in the transition to a broader diversity of energy sources.

* This list excludes the following middle-income countries: Greece, Israel, Portugal, South Africa, Spain, Turkey, US territories, and Yugoslavia which are defined as developing countries in the World Bank's report WDB III. In 1980 these countries could have consumed about 2.5 mm b/d of oil (including bunkers). These countries (except for Spain) are also defined by the IMF as developing, consuming 1.5 mm b/d.

Since 1973, oil consumption in OXIXs (OPEC and others) has continued to grow at over 7% p.a., similar to the years 1980-73. A significant part of the oil consumption volume goes to bunkers and refinery fuel. There is a strong concentration of oil consumption in a relatively few countries. Among the OPEC countries, four account for three-quarters of consumption: Indonesia, Iran, Saudi Arabia, and Venezuela. Among other oil exporters, Mexico accounts for half their oil consumption.

Oil consumption in OXOCs is generally expected to continue growing strongly.* in some of these countries, this has given rise to concern that the strong growth of inland demand should not eat into future export earnings, their engine of economic growth. A number of DCS are accelerating the substitution of gas for oil in the inland market and petroleum industry, in order to free up oil for export and to reduce gas flaring

B. Supply Prospects

There are now only a few countries where production is large and still clearly expanding. These are Argentina, PR China, Egypt, Iraq, Mexico, Norway, and the United Kingdom. Between them, in 1980 they will account for about 17% of world oil production. In none of them is future production thought likely to exceed by much that required supporting their national objectives. There are a small number of other countries which are expanding and which could perhaps reach a level of 500,000 b/d each before the end of the century: Brazil, India, Malaysia, and Oman.

Chinese output expanded very rapidly in the last two decades to reach just over 2 mm b/d in 1980. PR China is gearing up for an intensive exploration effort in onshore and offshore areas. The program offshore is taking place in rank wildcat areas, and the outcome is just not known. If the geological prospects in these areas prove favorable and if exploration efforts meet with luck, production could rise

*{For example, this is analyzed in studies by OPEC Secretariat, OPEC Fund, UNCLAD and World Bank. Rapidly to reach conceivably 5 mm b/d by 2000. This is way below earlier official aspirations to develop ten fields like Oaring (Teaching), i.e., a total of about 10 mm b/d. But it would still be a quantum

jump from the present and would represent a great achievement.

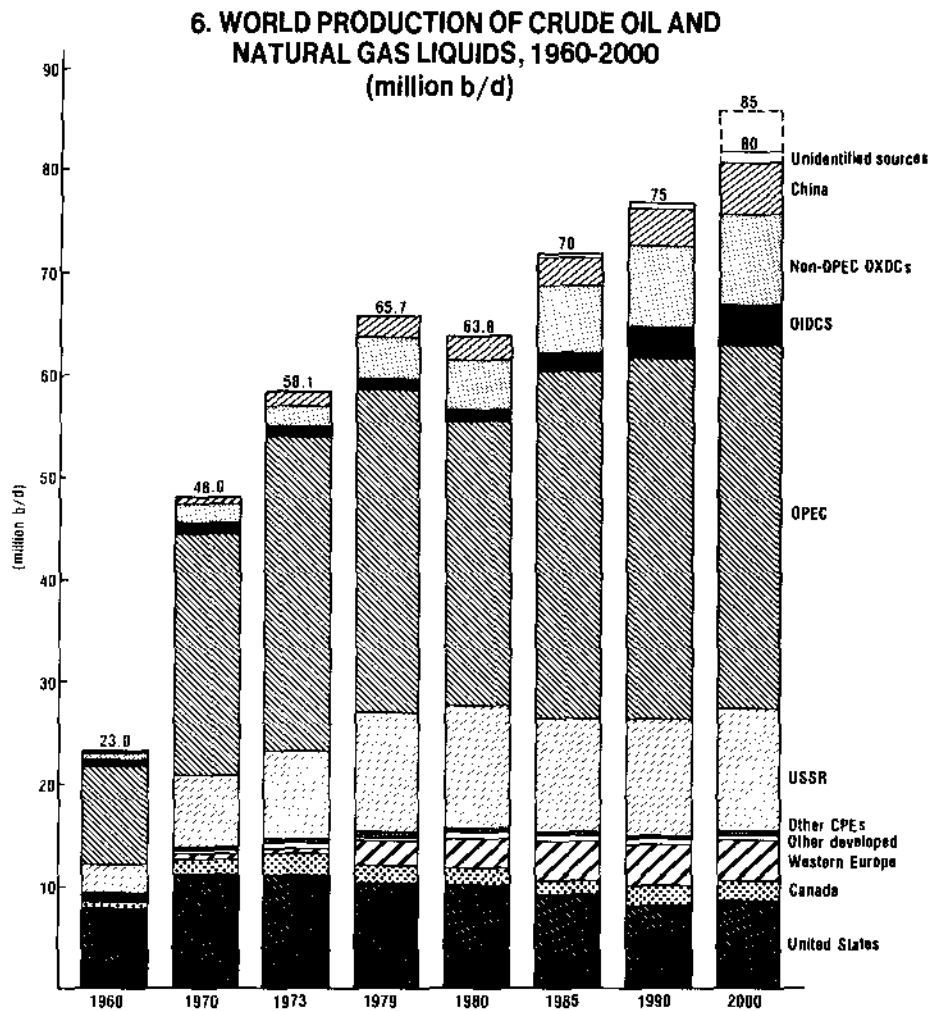
Mexico's output depends on government policies regarding a) the speed of developing new discoveries and b) export ceilings. It is installing enough capacity to supply the growing domestic market as well as exports sufficient to finance the nation's foreign exchange needs for economic development. Production of crude and natural gas liquefied (NGL) was close to 2.15 million b/d in 1980, and exports were 827,000 b/d. Mexico's export ceiling (1.1 million b/d) is reported to be 1.45 million b/d in 1981. Policy after 1982 has not been determined. It is conceivable that output could be in the range of 4 million b/d by 1990.

North Sea oil production is likely to rise during the next few years but could decline during the 1990s, unless new virgin exploration in the more difficult and unknown northern areas meets with success. Prospects for expanded output in other industrialized countries do not look bright for expanded output, although there could be surprises from the vast areas offshore north-western Australia.

Several producing regions of the world have reached [maturity](#). US production, despite the large contribution of Alaska, has continued to decline slightly. This trend presently looks very difficult to reverse. The huge increase in exploratory drilling has only stabilized the rate of additions to reserves in the lower 48 states. Most studies now envisage a decline in output during the 1980s.

Production of conventional light and medium crude oils from existing fields in western Canada appears to have leveled and is expected to decline. But this decline is likely to be more than offset towards the end of the 1980s by new discoveries in the western provinces and frontier areas, as well as development of tar sands and heavy oil.

Other important countries where production of crude oil appears to be approaching a plateau are Algeria, Indonesia, Libya, Nigeria, Iraq, and Venezuela (see Chapter



Source: Petro-Canada/Petroleos de Venezuela, World Oil Supply Prospects, February 1980.

II). All of these happen to be OPEC members. In 1980, together with the US and Canada, they will account for an estimated 15% of world production.

OPEC countries can be distinguished between those with nature provinces from which little extra production can be expected, and those with substantial potential for expansion but which, with the possible exception of Iraq, no longer are interested in developing capacity rapidly.

Four of the most to octant OPEC countries are dedicated conservers. They do not all wish to produce at capacity and are reluctant to undertake further large scale expansion. These are Iran, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates. Their production in 1980 is expected to average less than one 15 mm b/d, accounting for 24% of world production.

OPEC countries at present contribute about 45% of the world's oil supply. These 13 countries' production of crude oil and natural gas liquids was 27 mm b/d in 1980, and is estimated at about 25 mm b/d for 1981.ⁱ As things presently stand, they are unlikely to expand output of crude oil beyond 33 mm b/d by 1985, hardly rising thereafter

Undoubtedly the most contentious issue between developed consuming nations and OPEC countries will be the rate of development and production in the few countries where there is a large potential for expansion. (See Chapter 11.2.) These are Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, the UAE, and Venezuela.

In 1979 there were about 15 non-OPEC OXOCS.ⁱⁱ Together they produced almost 4 mm b/d in 1980. This could

* The 13 OPEC countries are: Algeria, Ecuador, Gabon, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Nigeria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, and Venezuela.

** The 15 non-OPEC developing countries which were net oil exporters in 1979 are: Angola, Bahrain, Bolivia, Brunei, Cameroon (since 1979), Congo, Egypt, Malaysia, Mexico, Oman, Iran, Syria, Trinidad & Tobago, Tunisia, and Zaire. Burma had been a marginal exporter in 1978.

Double to 8 mm b/d in 1990 but may be only a little higher by the year 2000. Mexico alone accounts for about half of production during the whole period.

Exploration in the OII) CS has been picking up in recent years. Drilling intensities, never, are unlikely ever to *coerce* anywhere near US levels. Nevertheless, a large number of countries can reasonably expect to become medium to small producers. Their combined output is estimated at 1.25 mm b/d in 1980 and is expected to triple during the next two decades. Most of the increment would be in the dozen or so countries which produced oil in 1979. But a substantial increment (perhaps 400,000 b/d by 1990) is also envisaged from numerous countries which now produce no oil at all. (See Chapters III and IV.)

The Soviet Union's production expanded quite rapidly during the 1970s. Prospects for future production are an enigma. It is generally expected to have reached its peak of some 12 mm b/d by 1980. The more pessimistic view is that published in 1980 by the US CIA; it believes that output will then decline throughout the 1980s, and that, even with successful exploration and continued access to Western equipment and technology, output would slide to 10 mm b/d or less by 1985.^s In contrast, a study by Swedish consultants Petrostudies *sees* potential for further growth in output's On balance, it might be prudent to plan as if output may have leveled out and could perhaps decline somewhat less than foreseen in the CIA report, perhaps to 11 mm b/d by 1985, before reviving again in later years, once the large resources in remote areas of the nation are developed.

Throughout most of the 1980s and during the 1990s oil demand is likely to be constrained by supply availability, although this must be understood in the context of production limits for political and economic reasons in some major oil-exporting countries.

* The 14 OIUCS which produced oil in 1979 are: Argentina, Brazil, Burma, Chile, (Bolivia), Ghana, Guatemala, India, Ivory Coast, Pakistan, Philippines, and marginally Afghanistan, Barbados, and Rep. of China (Taiwan).

C. Oil Resources

Is the world's oil resource &se large enough to support these expectations for future oil production?

There have been many estimates of ultimate recoverable reserves of conventional oil. They are no more than academic, as they are guesses at the unknown. But they do give some indication of the constraint on the rate at which additions may be made to presently known reserves of conventional oil.

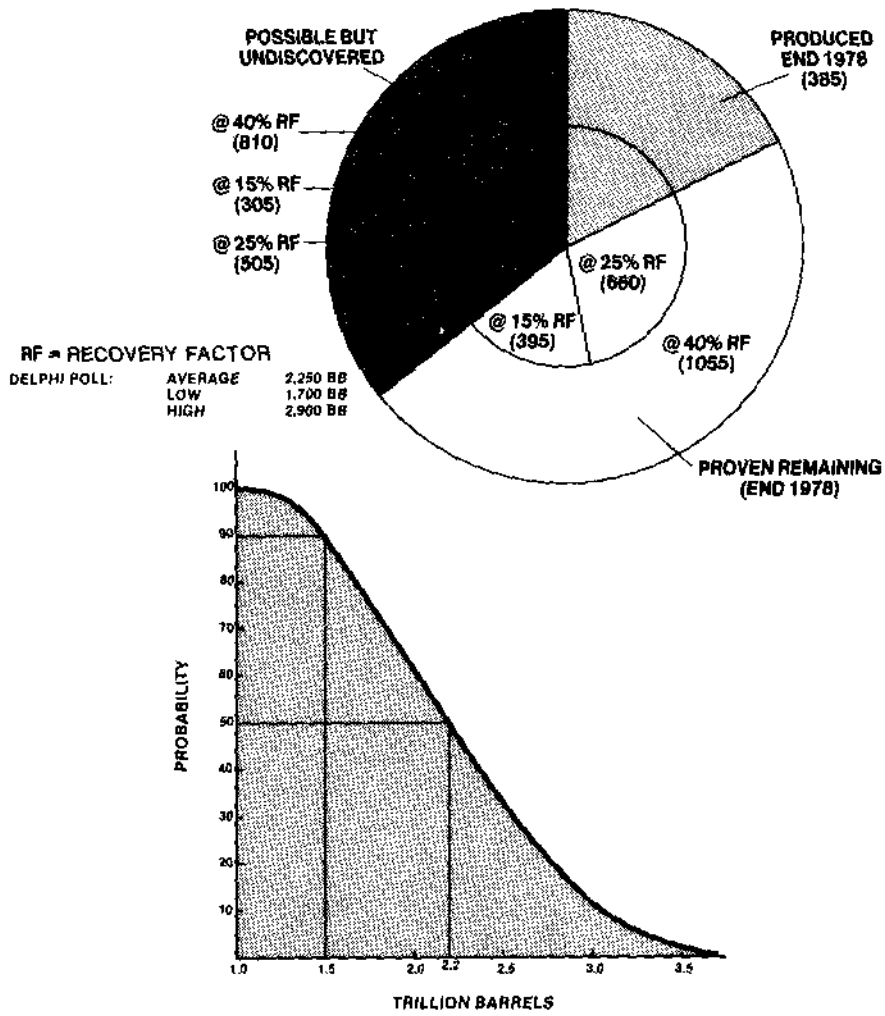
Past production of oil amounts to about 400 billion barrels (BB). Remaining known reserves are estimated in the order of 660 BB, enough to last 35 years at the present level of output. Additional potential resources could be in the order of 1,200 BB in the average estimate of a range of experts, published in the 'Exploratory Report to the Conservation Commission of the World Energy Conference in 1977.' Thus it estimated total resources at roughly 2,250 BB; the pessimistic end centered around 1,700 BB, and the optimistic around 2,900 BB.

The world's known reserves are highly concentrated in a relatively few countries. The ten largest with 20 BB or more each contain 80% of the total: in order, Saudi Arabia, Soviet Union, Kuwait, Iran, US, Iraq, UAE, Mexico, Libya, and China. Alternatively put, OPEC countries contain 68% of the total, the Middle Eastern member countries 55% and Saudi Arabia alone 25%.

The world's oil reserves are concentrated in a relatively few sedimentary basins. There are roughly 600 worldwide, depending on how they are defined. There are producible hydrocarbons in nearly 240. But just 30 contain 90% of the world's recoverable oil, and two of these (Arabian Iranian and West Siberian) have over half.

Additions to world oil reserves have depended heavily on the discovery of giant oilfields, and this is likely to remain true for the future. World reserves are concentrated in just a small number of large fields. Of about 30,000 fields worldwide, there are less than 1900, (or 6%) which each

7. WORLD ULTIMATE RECOVERABLE RESOURCES
(billion barrels)



Source: World Energy Conference, 1977.

Source: P.J. Wood, *World Oil*, June 1979.

Contain the equivalent of 50 million barrels or more of hydrocarbons (oil and gas). But they contain 93% of the world's known recoverable reserves.

Unfortunately, estimates of world oil resources and reserves typically exclude so-called unconventional oil, such as deposits of very heavy oil, tar-sands, and oil-shale's as well as oil in Polar Regions and beneath deep water. This begs a large question, as these deposits are potentially huge. In the past, they have been little touched, because their development costs are much higher than those of conventional oil. At today's prices, however, they become increasingly economic to exploit. This is clearly the direction for the future, i.e., increasingly from conventional to non-conventional oil.

D. Exploration and Development Efforts

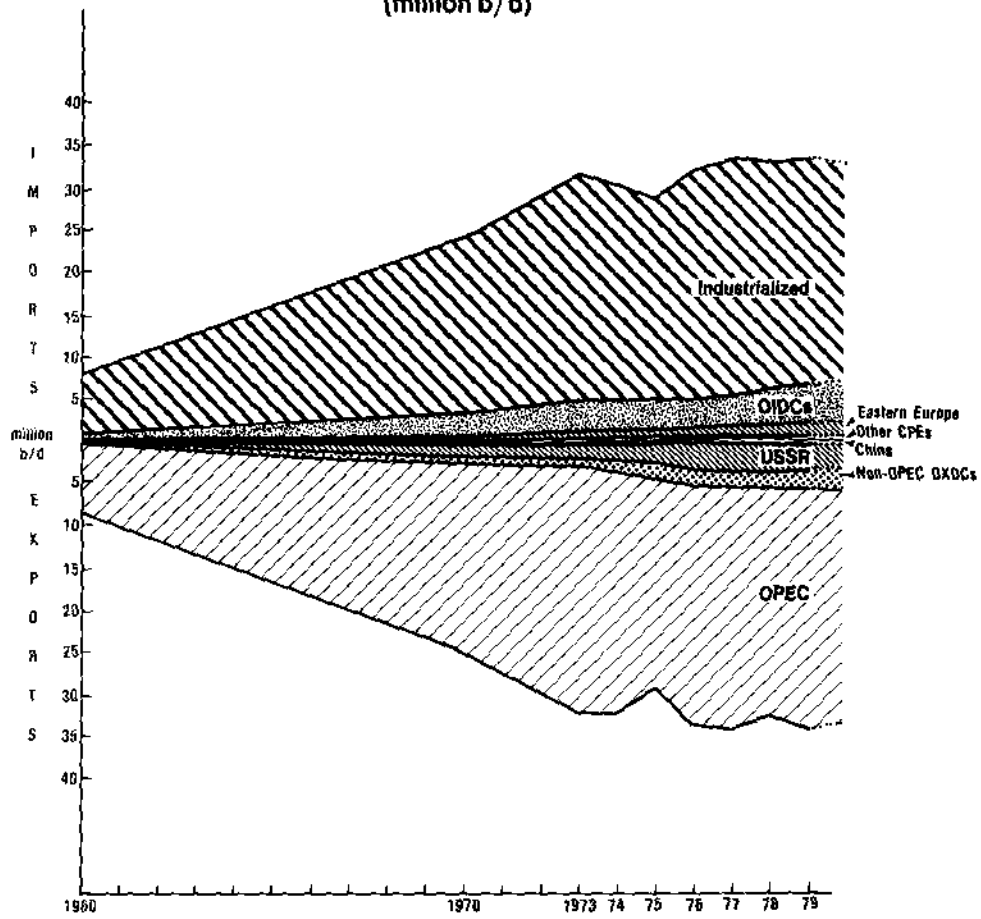
Higher oil prices have improved the economic viability of exploitation of small fields, enhanced recovery, exploration in high-cost areas such as polar and deep water, heavy oil, tar-sand, and oil-shale deposits, and fields with poor reservoir characteristics.

Even though exploration efforts in new provinces are likely to find the larger fields in the earlier stages of exploration program, there could still be smaller fields which would be well worth looking for thereafter. In any country small fields will continue to be found well into the next century. Their cumulative impact could be great, and their support to economies including those of the oil-importing developing countries will be significant. (See also Chapters III and IV.)

Some of the future increase in world oil reserves will come from enhanced recovery from existing fields rather than from discovery of new fields. Prospects are strengthened by second phase discoveries in older established basins, encouraged by improved economic viability of smaller fields at today's oil prices, better technology and exploration concepts, offshore extensions, and deeper drilling.

Exploration techniques have improved significantly in recent years. Drilling techniques have greatly advanced,

8. WORLD: OIL TRADE, 1960-1979
(million b/d)



Source: BP Statistical Review, 1980.

Particularly in polar and deep water regions such as the Canadian Arctic and offshore Labrador. But good judgment is still fundamental to successful exploration. It still remains true that the evaluation of geological provinces is very dependent on the degree to which high grade prospects are tested by the drill. Relatively small areas of sedimentary basins can contain significant volumes of oil.

Of the world's ultimate recoverable resources of oil, a substantial part could lie offshore. Attention has thus far been focused on the continental shelf. Little is known about the deep water basins in the adjacent continental margin. Uncertainties are political, economic, geological, and technological. The problem is development, not exploration. Oil cannot yet technically be produced from potential fields in deep water. Provided this problem is solved, the next will be the cost of producing any oil found.

Heavy oils and— even as or—the bitumen in tar-sand deposits have been the Cinderella of the crude oil market. Their economic feasibility has brightened considerably at today's oil prices. Future extension will involve enormous capital investment with long lead-times a) in extraction, including enhanced recovery and b) in upgrading. The pace of development will be set not only by technological and environmental constraints but also by government policy. Increasing volumes will come on stream during the next two decades but at a relatively slow pace.

Shale oil production is snail, though resources are huge. At present oil prices, projects may at last be approaching threshold of economic viability, though very little development has begun. There are huge environmental and technological problems in their exploitation on a commercial scale.

E. International Oil Market

World oil trade is mostly supplied from OPEC countries. The balance comes from other Exits, the Soviet Union, and PR Chin.

TABLE I-1:		WORLD OIL TINGE, 1979-80 (million b/d)			
Exporters	1979	1980	Importers	1979	1980
OPEC countries	28.7	25.0	Industrialized	27.2	24.8
Other OXDCs	2.0	3.0	OIDCs	4.5	4.5
Soviet Union	2.8	2.8	Eastern Europe	1.9	2.0
PR China	0.3	0.2	Other CPI's	0.2	0.2
				33.8	31.5
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International oil supplies in 1979 were tight, because of the disruption to Iranian exports. During the first quarter, the constraint resulted above the usual seasonal rate. Oil importers quickly rebuilt stocks in subsequent fronts of 1979 to a safe working level, plus an additional stock cushion in a strong rundown of stocks ashore and afloat to provide some measure of protection against increased insecurity of supply. They were accordingly willing to buy for stockpiling at prevailing spot prices much higher than official export prices, in the expectation that they could pass on the higher procurement costs to customers. This oil balance for 1979 was initially dismaying and certainly strained. It finally resolved itself, helped in part by the slowdown in oil consumption in industrialized countries (particularly the US).

The oil balance during 1980 was less strained, because of the economic downturn in industrialized countries, and the extraordinary stock build which continued during the year. Oil imports were more than 2 mm b/d lower than in 1979. The decline reflects lower consumption in the US and Western Europe. On the supply side, exports from non-OPEC OXDCs (above all Mexico) were 1 mm b/d more than in 1979, but OPEC countries' exports were almost 4 mm b/d less.

In 1980, the Iraqi-Iranian conflict did not significantly disrupt world supplies, and any short-term deficiencies were compensated from stocks and increased output from other OXDCs. But the balance was very

fragile and could

Easily have been shattered, for example if oil exports from the Middle East or elsewhere were further disrupted or were insufficiently available.

In 1981, the market has eased greatly, reflecting a decline in oil consumption in industrialized countries.

The prospects for the next two decades presently appear to be at best a continuance of international oil trade at its 1979 level, on grounds of constraints in exports from OPEC countries and the Soviet Union, together with imports stagnant in industrialized countries but rising in OIDs.

f. Net Exports

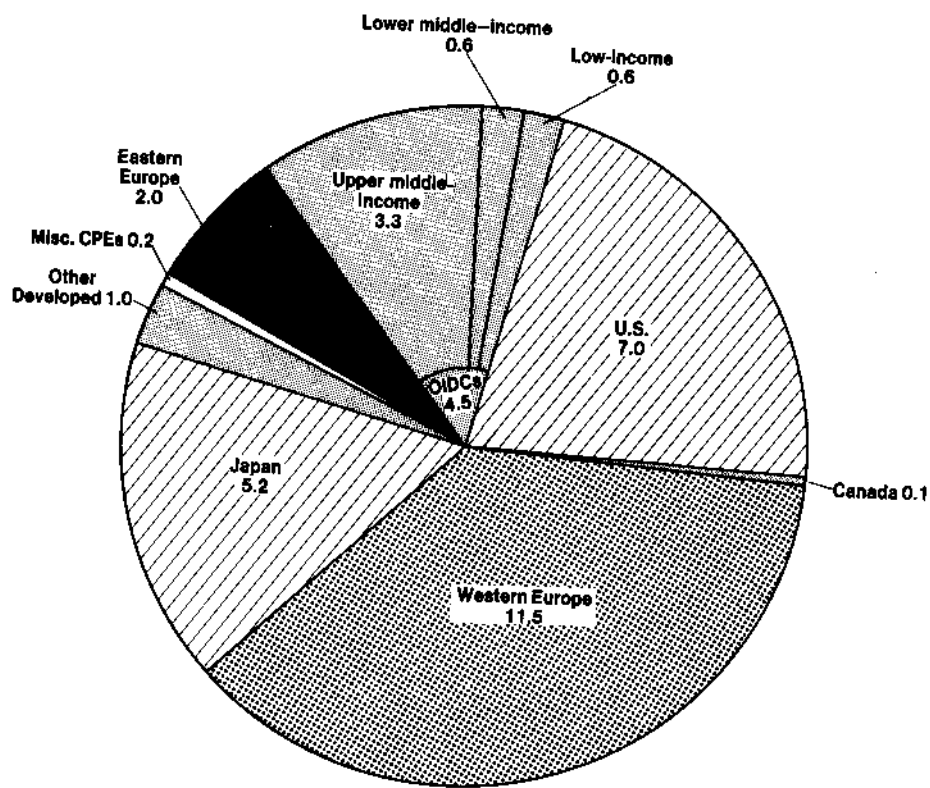
As things stand at present, exports from OPEC countries are generally envisaged to be less than 30 m b/d during the next two decades, in view of a) constraints on expansion in capacity and allowable production and b) growth of their domestic oil markets

A large increase in production is foreseen for non-OPEC oil exporters during the next two decades. But consumption of energy and particularly oil in OIDs (including OPEC countries) continues to increase rapidly, fuelled by strong economic and population growth. Pricing and other policies to make for more efficient energy use are often weak. Thus it does not follow that oil exports from non-OPEC OIDs will continue their previous rapid expansion. Even if this is technically feasible, these countries may impose policy ceilings on production or exports, as Mexico does now. For these reasons, it is felt that exports from these countries are unlikely to exceed 40 m b/d through the 1990s.

Chinese policy has shifted significantly since 1977 towards an accelerated development of its oil resources, to fuel its modernization program. Projections of oil exports from PR China remain speculative. There is a general feeling that self production in the

several years ahead may be absorbed by the burgeoning domestic market, leaving a relatively small share for export. Even this assumption could prove optimistic, unless the new exploration efforts in untested frontier areas on and offshore are successful.

9. WORLD: ESTIMATED OIL IMPORTS, 1980
(Including Bunkers) (millions b/d)



Total: 31.5 million b/d

Source: John Foster, estimate, October 1980.

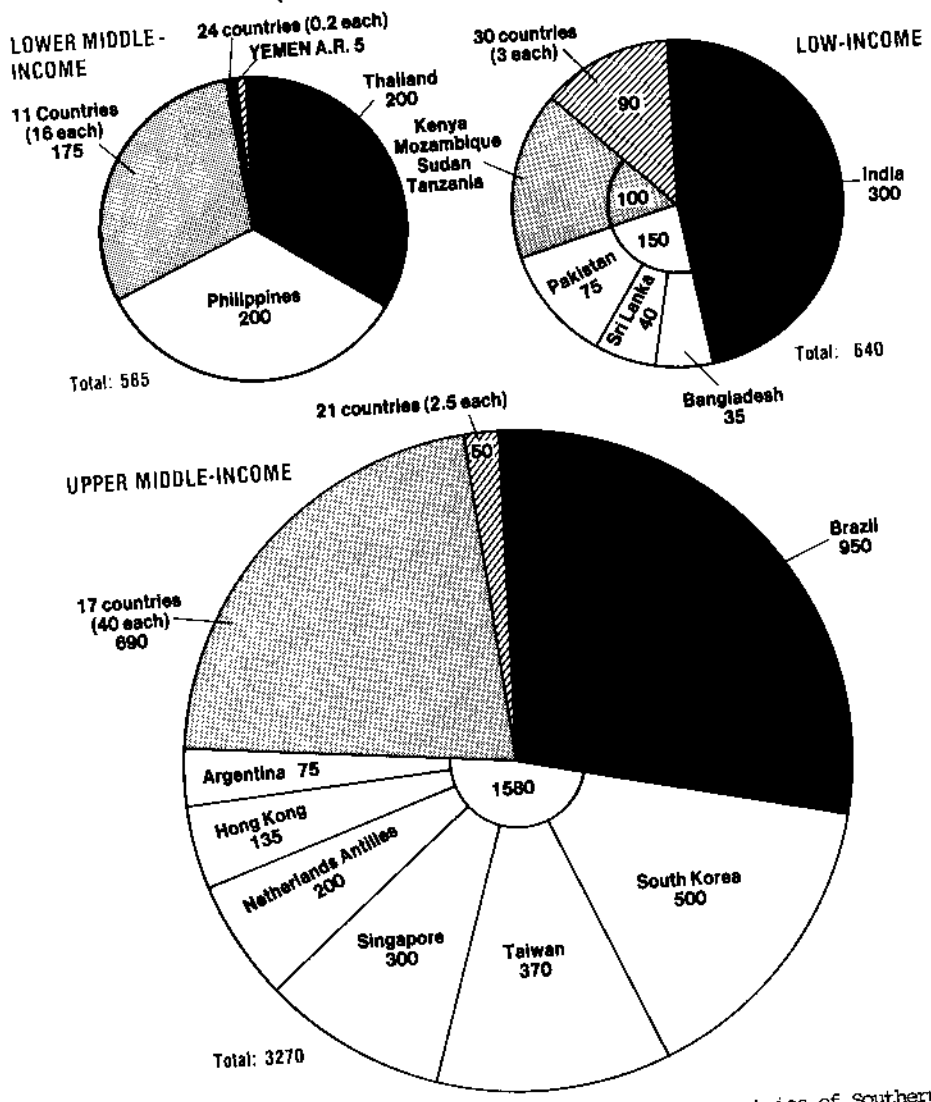
A particular area of uncertainty is the extent to which the Soviet Union/Eastern European bloc may move from being a net exporter (1 m b/d in 1980) to becoming a net importer (see Table 24). Eastern European countries' demand for imported oil is likely to expand from its present level (2 m b/d), given the limited scope for expansion of domestic energy supplies. Hence they will probably turn increasingly to the Middle East for incremental oil imports.

This leads to a widely held view that the Soviet bloc may become a net oil importer during the 1980s. The CIA's view published in 1980 envisaged net imports of at least 1 m b/d by 1985, and some others are beginning to move towards it. If they are right, pressures on international oil trade could become acute. The problem is largely logistical; the Soviet Union has huge unexploited energy sources but they are mainly in remote, physically inhospitable areas and will take great efforts and time to exploit. If successful achievements lead to a brighter outcome for oil production than is generally supposed; this could be global good fortune. There are many unknown variables which could ameliorate their prospects for oil trade. They include improved energy efficiency (for which there is huge potential), accelerated development of energy resources, and substitution of other energy forms for oil. However, even if oil consumption in the Soviet Union were to grow only slightly and output were to hold level, the bloc still might have to phase out its net exports and could become a net importer during the second half of the 1980s.

ii. Net Imports

Earlier we had discussed aspects of oil consumption and production in the more than 120 OICDS. The volume of their oil imports grew by just under 7% p.a. during the decade, similar to that of the 1960s. OICD imports in 1980 are estimated at about 4.5 m b/d, after taking into account

10. OIL-IMPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES: ESTIMATED OIL IMPORTS, 1980
 (Including Bunkers) (thousand b/d)



Note: Definition of OIDs excludes the middle-income countries of Southern Europe
Source: John Foster, estimate, October, 1980.

Another six countries import 1.6 mm b/d together. Two of them are the other rein net importers in Latin America, Argentina and Netherlands Antilles, as others such as Chile and (Bilabial are closer to self-sufficiency. The other four are the newly industrialized countries of East Asia: South Korea, Hong Kong, Singapore, and Rep. of China (Taiwan). The remaining 740,000 b/d of oil imports into upper middle-income oleos is spread over some 38 countries. Almost all goes to the 17 which each import in a range of 10-100,000 b/d (40,000 b/d averages). The balance goes to 21 countries (2,500 b/d each), mostly island-states.

In contrast, the lower middle-intone countries impart just 600,000 b/d. Of this amount, Thailand and the Philippines import 200,000 b/d each. Another 11 countries impart more than 10,000 b/d each (16,000 b/d each) and one (Yen n AR) 5,000 b/d. The balance of 24 countries import an average of 200 b/d each.

Similarly the low-income 011)03 import just 600,000 b/d. India accounts for one half, Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka for one-quarter together, and the remaining quarter is spread over 35 countries, mostly African south of the Sahara. Twenty of them each import volumes in a range of 1-10,000 b/d, and ten of them less than 1,000 b/d each. Thus for nary countries, the oil import volume is minuscule in relation to world oil trade. But to each of them their oil Imports could be a *heavy* harden.

If the prospects for the next two *decades* are truly for increasing constraint on international oil supplies and for just a nodes increase in access to these supplies by oil importing developing countries, *the* implication is inescapable that developed countries will import no more oil than at present and quite likely less. This was recognized by industrialized countries within the IEA, EEC, and the Seven in the formulation of oil import targets. (See Chapter 11.3.) Except for the few industrialized countries with prospects of ex [ending their production of hydrocarbons, this *raises the* key issue of demand restraint. Their oil consumption could be supply-constrained during the next two decades to levels lower

Than in 1979-80.

P'. Crude Oil Prices

The international oil scene has turned around since 1978. This is in large part due to the recent tonsil of political events in the Middle East.

International oil prices surged during 1979 due in pest to panic buying by consumers in the wake of the Iranian oil disruption. The "spot" ~regret became overheated and crude oil was bought at prices several dollars *higher* than official expert prices. Transactions at spot price grew rapidly to become 25-30% of international oil trade, as opposed to the 3-5% previously characteristic of the spot market. However, today the differentiation between long-term and spot deals is becoming increasingly blurred.

During 1980, international oil was basically traded at different tiers of official prices. Saudi Arabia increased its prices in December 1979 and May 1980 with the announced intention of inning towards price unification. But other prices advanced in step.

In early 1981, the marker price (Saudi Arabian Light) was *US\$32* per barrel fob. Official prices for most Middle Eastern crude oils were on the order of *US\$35-30*, to which differing premier were added. It remains to be seen whether international oil prices will finally realign themselves during the next year. The odds on this happening have increased, with lower demand for OPEC oil and continued *high*

Saudi output.

The balance between world energy demand and supply is fragile. The one certainty is continuous surprise and uncertainty. The prudent conclusion for policy decisions is that constraints on international oil supplies could remain with us for the foreseeable future. The outcome could, of course, prove quite different. The international oil market could tighten or weaken for a variety of combining factors. It could naked real oil prices jump again. It could conversely put them under downward pressure, e.g., if demand for imported oil were by chance to fall below a critical (but unknown and so far untested) level, to *which* OXDCS t find it hard to adjust output. But this takes no account of supply disruptions for political, military, or other reasons. On present evidence, we believe it prudent to plan on a continuously tight oil market with modest increases in real prices (say, 2-3% p.a.).

4. ENERGY OTHER THAN OIL

During the 1960s and indeed until 1973-74 when international oil prices quadrupled, there was a strong worldwide substitution of oil and gas--and increasingly nuclear power--for coal. By 1973 oil had increased its share of the energy mix in developed and developing countries to 54%, and r rural gas to 19%.

Since then, there has been much concern expressed in oil-importing countries to reduce dependence on imported oil and to promote the development of indigenous energy supplies. In particular, coal consumption is gradually picking up momentum, growing by 5% p.a. from the recession year of 1975 to 1979, compared with (about) 1% p.a. during the 1960s.

But the slow pace of economic recovery has dampened energy demand particularly in the industrial and electricity generation Sectors. This has adversely affected conversion back to coal consumption, as have requisite environmental measures. Similar factors plus that of public acceptability have slowed the completion of nuclear power stations. Natural gas is a preferred fuel, but domestic supplies have been constrained in the US and the Netherlands, and liquefied natural gas (LNG) projects have been set back by technical, financial, and regulatory difficulties.

There seems to be a consensus that future non-oil supplies will grow but slowly during the 1980s and into the 1990s. If economic growth were more ebullient, there could be a faster expansion of non-oil supplies. For example, pore coal might be used in electricity generation. The declension of non-oil supplies will nevertheless require a huge effort. It could represent virtually a doubling during the next two decades. Coal fray provide about one-third of the increment, and gas and nuclear power about one-quarter each.

In view of growing public concern over environmental issues, rapid expansion of coal and nuclear power in a number of industrialized countries (post-Three Mile Island) is difficult, though planned. A major constraint in the development of nuclear power in developing countries has been the concern of supplier countries about the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons, matched by the concern of recipient countries to retain the principle of sovereignty over national policies.

Hydroelectric power and other forms of renewable energy are seen to provide only a snail share of the increment for rest countries during the 1980s. But the expectations of strong research and develolsnent programs in renewable energy

forms such as solar, wind, tides, and biomass should lead to accelerated growth in their use during the 1990s.

5. NATURAL GAS

Natural gas is likely to make an increasing major contribution to world energy supplies. It will be an important transitional fuel. Gas expansion in the just has been held back by technological and economic constraints. These have recently been greatly reduced. As gas is relatively expensive to transport compared with oil or coal, its production has basically been developed in countries close to large energy markets, particularly the developed and socialist countries. It has been relatively little exploited in developing countries. Unlike oil, gas cannot be widely marketed until a costly pipeline network for local distribution is built. Natural gas now looks likely to be the fastest growing energy source in the developing countries as well as elsewhere worldwide. Moreover, international trade in gas is likely to grow even faster than its consumption.

The development of gas resources has been inadequately pursued in the developing countries. But a substantial part of the growth of conventional natural gas production during the next two decades is expected to take place in these countries. Expansion of local gas usage should be considered the main policy aim. But where the domestic market is limited, exports by pipeline or LC tanker may be advantageous. Where the export market is very distant, it may be worth converting the gas into methanol prior to shipment rather than liquefying it.

LNG technology is highly advanced but readily available. The main markets are the US, Western Europe, and Japan.

Existing LNG exporters are OPEC countries (Algeria, Indonesia, Libya, and UAE), Brunei, and the US (Alaska), while gas is expected by pipeline from the Soviet Union. Other LNG projects are under construction or at the planning stage.

In recent years pricing, financial, economic, technical, and environmental reasons have led to the delay or cancellation of many projects. In particular, the high cost of unlifted gas compared with liquid and solid fuels has led to a relatively low netback for gas at the wellhead. Hence petroleum-producing countries have typically pursued other uses for their natural gas. These include reinjection for oil field pressure maintenance, other field applications, extraction of natural gas liquids for domestic and export markets, and commercial applications for the gas in local markets, particularly energy-intensive industries such as petrochemicals and aluminum-smelting. The balance of the gas is being flared when it is produced in association with crude oil, or is being shut in when it is non-associated.

Today's international oil prices have greatly improved the economic viability of LNG projects. By the same token, they have also improved those of other high-cost sources of energy and gas in countries which are now energy-deficient, and investment decisions for LNG projects will have to be justified in relation to the possibilities for alternative energy supplies.

Deep conventional gas refers to accumulations found at depths greater than 4,000 meters. The potential for such gas accumulations may be much greater than has been assumed in the past. They could well be one of the world's major fossil fuel sources when oil begins to be depleted in the next century.

A major deterrent may be the increased cost of seismic surveys and drilling. In some countries where oil reserves are plentiful, there is little incentive to drill *where* the sources rocks go deeper, especially if there is no ready market for large gas discoveries. The Middle East could have giant deep gas deposits, but it is doubtful if these horizons will be tested until oil reserves will have to be more drastically depleted.

Considerable attention has recently been given to the possibilities of finding and producing unconventional natural gas with today's higher energy prices and improved technology. Much of this gas is not yet explored. Hence any estimates of gas in place are highly speculative. Even if the gas does exist, we cannot now predict that it can be produced economically in significant *and aunts*. Nevertheless, a comprehensive survey of *energy* resources must include these unconventional gases. They include gas dissolved in water (including geopressured gas), natural gas from coal-beds, gas from Devonian shale's, gas from tight sands, and gas hydrates.

6. COAL

The world's resources and reserves of solid fuels (coal, brown coal, lignite, and peat) are huge, much larger than those of oil and gas. They are unevenly distributed geographically, host of the known reserves are concentrated in three countries: the Soviet Union, PR China, and the United States. The I lance is mostly in a relatively few other countries, including: Australia, Canada, Britain, FR Germany, South Africa, Poland, DR Germany, Czechoslovakia, and some developing countries, in particular India and Republic of Korea as well as Botswana, Colombia, Mozambique, Vietnam, and Zimbabwe. Much of the world's production is also in these countries.

The geographical concentration of known coal reserves may also reflect large differences in intensity of exploration effort. The world's ultimate recoverable resources of solid fuels are still poorly known. There are nery countries which are believed to have untapped and unassisted coal reserves. Africa and South America have only sporadically been examined for coal. Worldwide, a large production base exists which could be expanded, if markets were developed.

The international oil price increases since 1973 have made coal competitive in nery end-uses where previously it was not. There are now great new opportunities for expansion. No entirely new technologies would need to be developed, as coal was at one time the dominant commercial fuel worldwide. But improved technology is c~sirable, to reduce costs and adverse environmental impacts. The single largest end-use for coal in recent years is in electric power generation, where the technology for coal burning has significantly improved, including the introduction of fluidized bed combustion. New opportunities for coal usage, particularly in developed countries, could include the development of plants to produce synthetic oil and gas in future decades.

In early 1980 the World Coal Study (W (COL) n said that "coal will have to supply between one-half and two-thirds of the additional energy needed by the world during the next 20 years, even under moderate energy growth... To achieve this goal, world coal production will have to increase 2.5-3 times, and the world trade in steam coal will have to grow 10-15 times above 1979 levels."

Industrialized countries are likely to move strongly back to the use of coal. Among them, the US is the single largest coal consumer and producer.

Developing countries have new opportunities to exploit smaller coalfields, which may be large enough to contribute to their domestic energy needs. For these countries, the key to resource development lies with government policies to encourage such exploitation, which UN agencies should increasingly be willing to assist (See Chapter IV).

A critical issue for the expansion of coal demand is its acceptability to end-users. Other problems include reliability of supply from an industry which has not enjoyed the best management/labor relations. Particularly in developed countries, unresolved questions on environmental issues have typically not been adequately covered, for example, air pollution, acid rain, and the accumulation of CO_2 in the atmosphere. It is not known whether there is a serious risk of climatic change from the rapid expansion of fossil fuel use. There is a lack of consensus on the seriousness of future accumulations of CO_2 and its implication for energy policies. The problem needs continuous monitoring, but it is not yet generally envisaged to constitute a serious limitation on coal development.

Meanwhile, there are serious constraints on the expansion of coal supplies which need governments' attention. These include the environmental impact of strip-mining, recruitment of miners and engineers, the lead-times and considerable investments needed to establish and expand mines,

transport, storage, handling, and port facilities. Despite these constraints, there is likely to be a substantial increase in coal demand and output."

At present, most exports are from the US, Australia, South Africa, FR Germany, and Poland; Canada is a growing net exporter. Major importers include France, Italy, and Japan. Most trade is in coking-coal for steel-making, though some steam coal is also traded. There could be a very sharp increase in international trade of coal, in particular steam coal. Australia is likely to expand dramatically its coal exports during the next two decades. South Africa could also do the same. Inland will continue to export but may not be able to expand significantly. Of the developing countries, Botswana, Colombia, Venezuela, India, and Mozambique may become exporters in the future.

Underground coal gasification offers a relatively low-cost, environmentally sound method to produce clean fuels from coal. This opens up the opportunity to exploit coal which is unrecoverable by present-day techniques. It could thereby enable vast and widely distributed resources to be reclassified as recoverable reserves. The Soviet Union has developed a commercial technology which US interests have purchased. Field tests in the US to date have confirmed the potential economic and environmental advantages of this technique. Critical technical environmental issues are being resolved, and the process is being scaled-up. Interest could lead to criteria direction in the US by late 1980s.

Often neglected in earlier years, solid fuels of low calorific value have recently seen an upsurge in their development. In descending order of heating value, they include sub-bituminous coal, brown coal, lignite, and peat.

World reserves of brown coal and lignite are large, some 10% by heating value of all solid fuels. Production in 1978 amounted to more than 900 million tons of hard coal equivalent and represented about 14% of all solid fuel production. Some countries have exploited brown coal, lignite, and peat for many decades. The supply of brown coal comes mainly from the Soviet Union as well as Czechoslovakia, DR Germany, and FR Germany and--to a lesser extent--some other European countries, Australia and some Asian countries. Recently there have been large-scale plans to expand the use of lignite in the Gulf States

of the US. The environmental impact of strip-mining brown coal and lignite is great, and well-designed laws are a pre-requisite.

The cost of transporting solid fuels of low heating value is high. Consequently, it retakes economic sense to burn these fuels in applications close to the mine. For example, they can be used as fuel in lineout electric power stations. The technology of power generation from large peat-fuel boilers has reached an advanced stage of development in several countries including the Soviet Union, Finland, and

Ireland.

7. NUCLEAR POWER

Most governments have pinned great hopes on nuclear power. But these aspirations have been frustrated to a considerable degree by a barrage of serious obstacles. The present outlook for nuclear power is consequently uncertain in all respects.

A. Industrialized Countries

The outlook for nuclear power is *very* mixed. The Soviet Union and France are implementing programs which will greatly increase their nuclear capacities, while in the US and one other country, development of nuclear power continues to be retarded by public concern with safety and economic issues.

In the United States, public confidence in safety was badly shaken by the accident in March 1979 at Three Mile Island, Pennsylvania, where the Kennedy Commission's report found great inadequacies in operational competence and in government and public utility safety procedures." There are concerns about reactor safety, radioactive emissions, thermal effects, disposal of wastes, and siting. The treatment of spent fuel elements, radioactive wastes and decommissioned reactors is not solved.

Furthermore, in some countries such as the US, nuclear power is not demonstrating the clear economic advantages which had earlier been expected. There have been rising capital costs, longer lead-times, and high repair cost, longer down-time for repairs and maintenance, and financing difficulties. There are also strong doubts voiced whether economic comparisons of nuclear versus other forms of generating electricity have fully taken into account such costs as decommissioning nuclear power stations, disposing of radioactive wastes, and retrofitting plants with equipment to satisfy improved safety and environmental standards. Long lead-times and the burden of interest-luring-construction at today's money costs have compounded the present lack of enthusiasm among most electricity corporations to install new nuclear plants unless they are already advanced in construction.

Meanwhile, the slowdown in economic growth since 1973 has sharply reduced the growth of electricity demand. This has fallen disproportionately on nuclear power which had been expected to account for much of electric incremental capacity.

All these factors have led to the deferral or cancellation of a large number of orders for new plants in a number of industrialized countries.

Despite these radically lowered expectations, nuclear energy is still expected to account for a gradually rising share of electricity generation in a number of industrial countries. A few (particularly France and the Soviet Union) are also moving ahead towards introducing breeders. Plans in Britain, FR Germany, and Japan for breeders have been delayed, and those in the US suspended.

B. Developing Countries

Technical complexity and proliferation have not per se ruled out consideration of nuclear energy for developing countries. However, the number of such countries which can handle the technology and have a large enough electricity sector to accommodate major increments of base-load generating capacity is relatively limited. For example, Argentina, Brazil, India, Mexico, Pakistan, and South Korea have active programs. Elsewhere, most developing countries are going slow in their approach towards nuclear power at this time. (See also Chapter IV.)

C. Non-Proliferation

The issue of nuclear energy in the context of international relations raises concerns of weapons proliferation in developed and developing countries alike. No matter how dangerous these concerns are, nuclear power is still an enticing means of solving the energy problem. Yet because of the nature of nuclear power, it raises all kinds of internal and external analytical and social problems within all kinds of societies.

If a developing country wants the nuclear option, either for peaceful or other uses, it must inevitably obtain assistance from a nuclear supplier country, typically one of the industrialized countries. The issue as received by nuclear supplier countries is therefore *how they* can export nuclear power equipment and technology on a basis which would ensure that nuclear materials would not be directed by governments for weapons or by terrorist groups for non-peaceful ends. This raises questions whether existing international agencies can adequately apply nuclear safeguards, and whether supplier countries should weigh up the elliptical and strategic risks in relations with recipient countries.

The International Consultative Group on Nuclear Energy, which included members from both developed and developing countries, felt that if nuclear power is to be available to meet an increasing fraction of the world's future energy needs, at least five conditions will have to be satisfied:

- i) nuclear power, despite the difficulty of the short-term curate, will have to be systematically developed, without interruption or undue delay,
- ii) nuclear power must earn and retain public acceptance,
- iii) technologies for using uranium more efficiently must be developed and tested as soon as possible, with the coming decades and the 21st century in mind,
- iv) the fear of nuclear weapons proliferation resulting from an expansion of nuclear power must be further reduced, and
- v) countries depending on nuclear technology, services or materials to ensure their energy supply must be convinced of continued international access to them, under safeguards, on acceptable terms.

The Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty had already a decade ago incorporated a provision that nations without nuclear weapons would agree not to acquire them and would accept international safeguards on their nuclear facilities, including IAEA inspection. In return, nations with nuclear weapons would help make the benefits of the "peaceful atom" available to signatories of the treaty and would nuke progress on nuclear arms control and disarmament. Thereupon, numerous countries introduced large nuclear power programs.

With a view to reducing the risks of nuclear weapons' proliferation, the Nuclear Suppliers Club was formed in 1975 and has issued guidelines for tightened fuel cycle safeguards in nuclear exports.

The US enacted the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Act in 1978, under which the US would supply nuclear fuel, services, and technology only if recipients would accept a US veto over certain fuel cycle activities. Canada and Australia also made acceptance of full safeguards on all nuclear facilities the condition for further nuclear cooperation. But governments of most European countries, Japan and developing countries took exception to the US restrictions and were unwilling to defer reprocessing spent fuel, recycling plutonium in existing reactors, and introducing breeder reactors.

In response to other countries' adverse reaction to US non-proliferation reassures, the US initiated in 1977 the International Nuclear Fuel Cycle Evaluation (INFCE) as a 50-country study which might identify fuel cycles with a minimum danger of weapons proliferation's it completed its report in early 1980. It did not find a technical fix to restricting nations' access to ^{weapons-grade} material, though it did indicate fuel cycle modifications which could make plutonium less easy to steal.

With prospects diminished for nuclear power, and improved for uranium reserves-, the early needs for breeder reactors and large-scale reprocessing of spent fuel have also lessened. Nevertheless, some nations' interests continue as ever in access to uranium and in breeder reactor programs. Nor are some countries willing to desist from reprocessing of spent fuel. Many countries continue to believe that the US unduly stresses the possibility of nations acquiring nuclear weapons through misuse of nuclear power programs rather than through plants operating in weapons production.

8. HYDROELECTRICITY

The use of hydroelectricity is expected to continue growing during the next two decades. New sites are becoming harder to crotch by in nuns developed countries other than Canada and Norway. But there are still huge opportunities in developing countries for hydroelectric projects.

Hydroelectricity has denied evident advantages. It is a continuously renewable and widely distributed resource. It is nonpolluting, in that it does not produce by-products similar to thermal effluents. It can be integrated into multi-use develop-ments. It is one of the none efficient energy conversion technologies. Projects have a long life, low operating vests and no fuel costs, and the technology is well-known. Generating plants can be expanded with relative ease. Energy is storable as water in the reservoirs.

Hydroelectricity does have certain disadvantages. It is highly capital-intensive. Most promising sites are far from markets. Projects can have undesirable environmental impacts. There are geo-political constraints associated with

flooding.

The use of small-scale hydro plants had generally been declining in number for years. This trend may now be changing, particularly in developing countries. A striking example is PR arena.

9. GEOTHERMAL ENERGY

Geothermal energy is the energy contained in the natural heat under the earth's surface. There are six kinds of geothermal systems: three of these are fully developed (dry steam fields, hot-water fields, and low-enthalpy fields) and three are at the stage of research and development (magma energy, depressurized zones, and hot dry rocks). Hot water fields are the most commonly exploited form of geothermal energy. But dry-steam fields have the advantage that steam can be directly used in generating electric power. Geothermal Energy can also be used in space-heating, horticulture, and pisciculture.

Geothermal resources are very common and occur nearly everywhere. The technology is mature, and expertise is available. But commercial development has until recently been slow. Development efforts of geothermal energy in recent years are impressive. Iceland is by far the leading country in the use of geothermal energy for space and greenhouse heating.

Other countries now exploiting geothermal energy include China, El Salvador, France, Hungary, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Mexico, New Zealand, Philippines, Soviet Union, and the US. The UN has made a key contribution in technical assistance towards this development. Worldwide, geothermal electric plants now amount to about 1,800 MW of installed capacity, compared with 680 MW in 1969. By 1985 perhaps 10,000 MW could be in operation based on known exploration work and projects.

10. OTHER RENEWABLE FORMS OF ENERGY

Interest in renewable energy has been increasing with the continued rise in international oil prices. In developed countries attention has been particularly focused on concentrated and large-scale application of renewable energy. In developing countries it is focused on decentralized and small-scale applications in rural areas.

Renewable energy covers a range of energy sources. They include biomass, biogas, wind power, solar energy, tidal power, and others more at the research and development stage such as wave energy, salinity energy, ocean thermal energy conversion, electrostatic energy and magnetic electricity, and solar power satellites.

In the developing countries, only about half of the need for useful energy is met from commercial sources. Of the balance (mostly in rural areas), perhaps two-thirds are met from inanimate sources such as wood and one-third by muscular efforts of people and animals.

One single phenomenon which developing countries are experiencing is a high rate of urbanization. This implies a

Radical change in the supply base. Rural dwellers consume mostly non-commercial, locally produced energy forms, and they produce much of their own food. The basic needs of urban dwellers must be met from commercial and frequently imported supplies. Hence urbanization will lead to a vast expansion in the demand for commercially traded energy. But even by the end of the century, most Third World people will still live in rural areas, despite the migration to cities. And if energy based amenities were more available in the countryside, *wile* experts believe the migration might be slowed.

The limited availability of energy infrastructure in many developing countries justifies the development of small resources near to markets. Small deposits will have an increasingly vital role, and they can supply small decentralized systems in rural areas. Small production units are needed and are available: geothermal, hydro, coal-mines, oil-shale, oil, and gas fields.

The key problem for OIDs, particularly low-income countries, is the need for energy in food production and household use. This requires more efforts to develop new technologies for use of biomass, particularly fuel wood and charcoal. This resource base is fast being depleted or mismanaged. Most developing countries' population lives in the tropical and sub-tropical zones which receive the most solar radiation. This in principle gives much promise for prospects for solar energy and other renewable energy technologies applicable to rural areas. But much more will have to be done before these prospects can be realized on a large scale. These technologies were well assessed in the OECD's report on Renewable Energy Technologies for Developing Countries, which suggested the following criteria:

- A. reliability,
- B. ease of maintenance,
- C. feasible and optimum unit size, d. environmental impact,
- E. social and cultural suitability,
- F. feasibility of local manufacture of components, g. expected course of future technological

Development.

The use of these technologies will depend on financing, transfer of technology, and expertise. The key to their adoption is a better understanding and quantification of the resource base.

A. Biomass

Biomass refers to a variety of plant materials which can be used as feedstocks for conversion to useful fuels and products. The plant materials with the greatest potential are trees, forestry, and agricultural residues (such as sugarcane, cassava, and sorghum).

I. Plant Biomass

Wood and charcoal meet about 80% of rural requirements for lighting and cooking in the developing countries. The Ellwood crisis is the result of deforestation for those energy needs, and the opening of arable land for agricultural uses. Due to deforestation, the populations of some developing countries are forced to travel large distances to acquire their fuel wood needs, thus taking time out from other valuable activities. (See also Chapters II and IV.)

The decreasing amount of available fuel wood has meant that manure has had to replace fuel wood as an energy source, thus depleting a valuable source of fertilizer. Therefore the two-edged *sword* of the fuel wood crisis reduces both the fertility and exploitation of agricultural lands.

The ratio of forest use for fuel purposes to industrial uses is 5:1 in industrialized countries as opposed to 1:6 in developing countries. This would indicate that industrialization will decrease *even* note the availability of forest uses in the future.

According to recent studies, the capital cost of reforestation required is quite high. The World Bank estimates that roughly 50 million hectares of forest will be needed to be planted by the year 2000; the present rate of reforestation is estimated at only one-tenth that required.

ii. Ethanol

There has been significant development of *processes* for large-scale production of ethanol by fermentation from carbohydrate raw materials. This ethanol could replace a significant proportion of gasoline in motor engines. It is often described as *power* alcohol or colloquially as gasohol. All starch crops can be fermented to alcohol. But the most important ones are sugar (raw sugar and molasses) and starchy roots (such as cassava). One or more are grown in Europe, North America, and many developing countries. These crops are expensive and subsidized in Europe and North America and cannot serve as cheap raw materials for ethanol fermentation. In contrast, they are usually cheap in developing countries.

There are a number of Latin American and Caribbean countries as well as the Philippines, India, Thailand, Sudan, and Ivory Coast (best which have the potential to grow sugar-cane and molasses for ethanol fermentation. The major producers of starchy roots such as cassava (Brazil, Nigeria, Indonesia, India, Thailand, and Zaire) also have this potential. The total ethanol potential from these producers is nearly 7 million tons (135,000 b/d) by 1985. Brazil and Thailand account for some 40% of this potential, Cuba and India another 20%, then the Philippines, Nigeria, and Zaire. In particular Brazil's National Alcohol Program aims at producing 11 million m³ (185,000 b/d) of ethanol by 1985.

iii. Biogas

Among various renewable energies, biogas is now receiving much interest. It is produced from anaerobic digestion of animal and vegetable wastes. A household-sized plant can produce gas for cooking and lighting. The effluent and sludge from the digester can be used as fertilizer. The process is generally referred to as "biogas technology" (IBT). It has been promoted extensively in some countries, particularly China and India. The degree of its success in some countries is controversial. In Thailand the adoption of

BOT has been relatively slow in rural areas due to high capital cost, the availability of firewood and charcoal, and corrosion of digester covers. The feasibility of large-scale biogas

Plants need investigation.

Methanol can be synthesized from biomass, low calorific coals, natural gas, or any material with enough carbon. It has value as a fuel, a solvent, petrochemical, and gasoline feedstock. It can easily be transported by pipeline or tanker. If natural gas is produced unreal than a few thousand miles from market, it will be cheaper to ship it as methanol than to transport the gas by pipeline or LNG tanker, to be economically viable, methanol conversion would *have* to be done in very large high-cost plants.

B. Wind power

Wind energy has been used since time informal for ships and windmills. But during this century the use of wind energy has become restricted to remote areas.

In recent *years* there has been a revival of interest in wind power based on modern technology. Wind energy can be used to generate electricity or direct heat, to drive pumps, and to propel ships of increasingly large size. Prototype and experimental wind energy converters have been built in a number of countries as part of research or demonstration programs by private and government institutions. These programs include study of wind data, the performance and reliability of wind turbine generators, their environmental acceptability, and their integration into electric supply systems. Similar units are available commercially.

The best sites are along ocean shorelines or offshore where the wind's velocity is unimpeded; sites may exist onshore at greater heights or special locations. Several national energy programs envisage that wind energy could be used to generate significant amounts of electricity by the mid-1980s. There is also a significant market for smaller converters to supply farms and isolated houses.

C. Solar Energy

The economic aspects of solar water and space-heating have been studied in many countries, with conflicting conclusions. Cost comparisons can only be made on a country-by-country basis, taking into account local conditions, including the price of alternative energy forms.

For example, in developed countries solar energy systems normally cost more initially than conventional alternatives. The economic merits of solar systems are longer-term. Consumers might be willing to trade off higher initial costs for future energy savings.

In developing countries, the actual cost of every resource in remote areas should be considered. Some countries are conducting research into and developing renewable energy systems including solar box cookers, water-

heating, and distillation systems. Efforts are concentrating on finding energy technologies applicable in rural areas, which are much more affected by the firewood crisis than the oil-import burden.

Solar ponds are a potential source of low-temperature heat in large quantities, unlike solar collectors which are typically small-area devices.

There are two methods of generating electric power from sunlight. One is the sequential conversion of sunlight to heat, mechanical energy, and ultimately electric energy. The other uses solar (photovoltaic) cells which directly convert sunlight to electricity. The technology of solar cells is well proven for use in satellites and space vehicles, but solar cells have been of relatively high cost. Large-scale programs of research and development are being carried out with a view to reducing the cost of solar cells, and commercial companies are now showing great interest in investing in solar cell technology.

Photovoltaic energy is also beginning to be introduced for rural applications in developing countries, typically through international or bilateral programs of technical assistance. Indications are that it is becoming economically viable, particularly in remote areas.

Conclusion

This chapter has outlined some future difficulties confronting the world energy scene. Perhaps the greatest danger is a continued perspective that the world is faced with a zero-sum game, where any change in one party's position is seen to be another party's loss. What is needed is more flexibility, both technically and diplomatically. Confrontation between Parties is self-defeating when it clouds points of convergence and agreement. The following chapters discuss the world energy scene in more detail, in terms of the Parties involved and future global opportunities.

CHAPTER II: THE PARTIES INVOLVED 1.

OIL-IMPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

A. Introduction

The oil-importing developing countries (OIDCs) have over half the world's population. Although the life expectancy of the people is low and infant mortality rates are high, the population in these countries is growing rapidly. The majority of the people are poor, and a substantial number of them suffer from hunger and malnutrition. In many of the OIDs, food production

grows more slowly than population, and the basic needs of life for many are not met. A sizeable proportion of the population live at subsistence level, and many are rarely surviving.

These countries are basically agrarian; and industrial development, generally, is in its infancy. The agricultural sector provides employment to the majority of the people, and its contribution to GDP is very high. Agricultural products also account for a high Percentage of export earnings. Basically, the OIDs get their export earnings from a limited number of primary commodities. For imports of capital and technology, the OIDs depend heavily on the industrialized countries with an increasing flow of capital coming from OPEC countries. Unstable markets, fluctuating prices, falling real prices for their exports, as well as tariff and non-tariff barriers to their exports have cut their export earnings and thereby slowed their development efforts. For many of them the international terms of trade have been unfavorable.

In most of the OIDs, the level of unemployment and underemployment is very high. When work is available, the pay is always very low, and the working conditions are frequently intolerable. The per capita income of the people is very small, and most of the countries has very low GNP. Furthermore, the economies of these countries are characterized by highly unequal distribution of income and wealth. The poorest people, who are usually in the majority, have a very small share of the national income. Despite decades of development efforts, the strategy of development which assumed that the fruits of growth will "trickle down" to the poorest segments of society has been a failure in many countries. In fact, in many nations the gap between the privileged few and the majority have been widening. Therefore, many countries have been inclined towards a deliberate intervention to redistribute income and wealth in their societies.

Although the spread of education is an important element in development, the number of school-age children that are enrolled in schools is relatively low. A very large percentage of the population is illiterate, and in many cases there is a serious shortage of skilled and trained manpower. Frequently, too, the skills supplied in the schools may not match the skills that are required by employers.

In many developing countries, the provision of health services is biased towards the urban areas and is basically tailored to meet the requirements of the rich. People living in poverty normally do not have access to health facilities. Although preventive medicine is widely believed to serve the people better, the health care system in many of these countries gives emphasis to curative medicine, which can reach only the richer few.

Urbanization has been an important phenomenon in developing countries. Although there is a difference in characteristics of urbanization in the different regions, the rate of population growth in most of these countries has been very high. The shift in the balance between rural and urban sectors has been leading to rapid changes in social, cultural, political, and economic conditions in these countries. Urban services and facilities, in many cases, have been unable to keep up with the increasing population. Many people come to the cities in search of jobs and better living conditions. However, few of them are absorbed into the labor force at rates of growth which are sufficient to meet minimum needs.

The OIDs have many economic, political, social, cultural, and environmental differences and similarities. The difference between a huge and nucleated India and a small, underdeveloped Nepal, an industrialized Korea and a poor Somalia, a highly urbanized Argentina and a basically rural Ethiopia is self-evident. There is a great disparity in their resource potential, economic structure, development approach, level of education, quality of health,

and income distribution. They also differ in their political systems, ideological orientations, and social philosophies.

But whatever their differences, they have also tent' things in common. Their ax n heritage as colonies, their present status as producers of Isonomy moralities, and their future interests, lopes, and aspirations bind them together. Their historical, cultural, religious, linguistic, and other affinities give them a degree of unity in diversity.

B. The Energy Characteristics of the Oils

In considerable measure, what is said in this section about the energy characteristics of the OIDs applies to oil exporting developing countries (OXecs) as well. This is true of each of the characteristics identified below, except that O%OCS are not dependent upon oil imports.

I. Low Consumption of Commercial Energy

OIDs consume inch less o>, metrical energy (oil, mss, coal, and electricity) than industrialized countries. For example, the average North Mexican uses about 1,000 times as much commercial energy as the average Nepalese, 800 times the average Upper Volta, and 25 times the average Indian. The average Dutchman also consumes 266 times as inch as the average Ethiopian, 31 times as the average Pakistani, and 14 times as the average Bolivian. The average Mexican uses tore in a day than the average Third World person uses in a year.

ii. Increasing Consumption of Unmusical Energy

Between 1950 and 1976, world use of commercial energy increased fore than three times. But in the Third World it increased tore than seven times, doubling every eleven years. Since the oil crisis of 1973, consumption in the industrialized countries fell to 0.5% p.a., but in the developing countries it continued strong growth at 5.7% p.a. By the year 2000 the Third World's con axial energy (including China) will be nearly 2.5 times higher than today and will account for about 30% of the world's total, compared with 20% today. a

iii. Unequally Distributed Use of Energy

There is, of course, great variation among the OIDs in their use of energy. Far example, on a par capita basis India uses 16 times as ouch commercial energy as neighboring Nepal, and Argentina 26 times as much as Zaire. Moreover, only ten countries account for 74% of the net oil imports of all OIDs, while 58 others import ally 12%. There is also great inequality within countries. For example, in India x - r racial energy used per capita in

the city is nearly 20 times and electricity 28 times as great as in the countryside, even though rural electrification programs have been gashed by the Indian Government for 30 years. Even within cities great disparity exists, with the modern sector getting the lion's share and the informal sector (e.g., backyard industries, domestic employees, street vendors, and service providers) and urban slums getting very much less. For example, modern industry alone consumes about 40% in Mexico and more than 80% in China's

Iv. Substantial Reliance on Non-Commercial Energy

Rural people, urban slums and, to a lesser extent, the informal economies of the Third World rely upon traditional energy. Among other forms, this includes wood, crop residues, charcoal, and animal power. In urban areas, this kind of energy often may be bought and sold; in rural areas it is more often used by the gatherer.

In the cities, most low-income people (and some middle-income people) cook with charcoal. Charcoal may also fire the tuck lot furnaces or blacksmithies used to heat metals for hand fabrication of such items as kerosene lanterns. A host of domestic servants perform tasks that in the industrialized countries are increasingly assigned to machines. Goods and people are transported as much by pushcarts, triceps, porters, horse-drum vehicles, and bicycles, as by truck and car.

In the rural areas most people live out their lives largely untouched by modern energy. Instead they rely on traditional energy. About 60 to 80% of rural energy goes to the growing and cooking of food. Plants are planted, tended, harvested, and processed by human and animal labors. A

Typical rural scene in Africa features the picturesque but onerous Isomers of women pounding grain. Another in Asia or Africa is the long lines of women and children bearing firewood on their heads or ladders far long distances that become longer over the years as available woodlands recede. There is increasing evidence of deforestation and desegregation, and a consequent decline in water tables and an increase in soil erosion and downstream silting and flooding.

Prices of wood and charcoal (usually in cities) are climbing. A poor family during some parts of the year spend up to 30% of its income on fuel for cooking. As the price of kerosene has gone up, a bad situation is made worse by increasing demand for scarce wood. It is common for a large fraction of rural wood supplies to be harvested for use in cities, where people have been forced to buy charcoal for cooking because of the high price of kerosene. This leaves less wood for use by rural people. They also suffer from the higher prices of modern energy such as electricity or gasoline in the countryside, compared with the cities. For example, in West Africa gasoline in 1977 cost about \$1.60 in the port cities but \$2.00 only a few miles inland, while electricity soared from \$0.24 per kilowatt-hour in Dakar to between \$0.40 and \$0.90 in inland towns. In the rural areas, this not only limits personal amenities and essential educational and health services but also cuts agricultural production and hence income and jobs. One of the consequences is the continuing flow of rural people to already overcrowded and overburdened cities.

v. Inefficient Use of Energy

When one thinks of energy waste, a host of luxuriously wasteful practices commonly observed in the North include such as buildings overheated in winter and over cooled in summer, large single-passenger commuter vehicles, and recreational driving. Energy waste also abounds in the South but for reasons quite different from those described above. Typically, energy waste is due to inefficient practices and equipment. The cure for this problem is not to exhort people to restrain consumption or to raise the price of energy but to provide the funds and expertise required to improve efficiency.

In rural areas, there are two outstanding examples of

Waste:

a. in the use of fuel for cooking and b. in the making of charcoal.

In the use of fuel for cooking, about two-thirds of all rural household energy is used for cooking. A frequent method is over an open fire using three stones to define the fire area. With this method only 5% or so of the energy in the fuel (typically wood or crop residues) is transferred to the cooking pot. It is generally believed that the use of inexpensive stoves could increase this rate of efficiency dramatically.

In the making of charcoal, a typical method is to dig a pit, pile in wood or other fibrous material, light it and reduce the oxygen available to the fire by covering over the wood with earth. This process yields charcoal containing no more than 15% of the energy in the wood or other raw material. The rest is charcoal or charcoals which are lost, or heat which escapes. The use of small continuous combustion kilns could greatly increase the efficiency of ranking charcoal.

For urban areas, a few examples will illustrate the problem. In industries, management practices are wasteful of energy; fuel-to-air mixtures on boilers are often badly out of adjustment; steam pipes leak or are clogged; pipes and hot water storage are not insulated; machines are scheduled to start up at peak energy times; energy equipment is not properly maintained; compressed air leaks are tolerated; and furnaces are not loaded to efficient capacity levels. These problems would not take major capital inputs to correct.

Even greater savings would be possible by investing in more efficient equipment. Another example of urban energy waste is in transportation. In the long run, dramatic savings would be possible through better urban layout so that people would live closer to jobs, schools, and shopping, and through improving the spatial organization of production so that there is less unnecessary movement of materials and goods (e.g., hauling logs from Northern to Southern Brazil to fabricate doors that are used in Northern Brazil). In the shorter run, improved traffic management would reduce gasoline-wasting traffic delays, and a program of engine maintenance could increase miles per gallon.

vi. Energy Dependence upon Outsiders

The average OECD is so what less dependent on oil imports than Europe but more dependent than the US. Most of the non-oil commercial energy consumed by the OECDs is consumed by a few larger OECDs (India, Pakistan, Zimbabwe, South Korea, and Zambia).^o On the other hand, at least 73 OECDs (excluding some small island-states) depend on imports for 100%

of their oil needs

Moreover, most OIDs are dependent on outside technology to reduce their dependence on oil imports, whether by finding and producing their own fossil fuels or by improving their energy use efficiency or by adopting new and more plentiful-including renewable-substitutes for oil. In addition, scores of OIDs will need outside help a) to pay for their essential oil import needs and b) to improve their exports = that they can increasingly pay for their oil imports.

Vii. Great Potential for Conventional Energy

Most OIDs have large potential for conventional energy. To begin with, there is thought to be a great deal of oil in the OIDs. Some geologists believe that a substantial fraction of the oil yet to be discovered in the world may be on or offshore the OIDs. There are about 30 million square miles of promising sedimentary basins, of which CP countries have only 4 million, the US only 3 million, and the OIDs 13 million. Yet the drilling rates in the OIDs are low in relation to the oil-producing industrialized countries. For example, the drilling intensity (ratio of number of wells to area of potentially oil-bearing terrain) in the US is 50 times greater than in Latin America and nearly 1,000 times than in Africa. Heavy oils, tar sands, and oil shale's also are great potential energy sources, which may be exploited one day when the price of conventional oil is high enough and the cost of extraction and refining these potential sources is low enough relative to one another. Natural gas is often found in prospective oil-bearing terrain. Hence it is likely that as drilling increases in the OIDs, a great deal of gas will be found. Coal reserves in the OIDs are officially not counted as great; these countries have only about one-sixth of the (world's) known recoverable reserves, and more than 90% of the OIDs' reserves are in just two countries: PR China and India. However, very little exploration for coal has been done, perhaps because the industrialisation of the OIDs had not begun before oil had displaced coal as the preferred fuel for industry. Many experts believe that when a search for coal in the OIDs takes place, a great deal will be found.

Major hydroelectric conventional projects offer great potential energy. Nearly two-thirds of the world's conventional hydroelectric potential is in the Third World. However, less than 10% of the Third World's conventional hydroelectric potential has been exploited. A closely related and even less explored energy source is small-scale or mini-hydropower. Units are available that will generate as little as a few hundred watts and can be operated from very small streams. It is widely observed that a significant fraction of rural people live near a year 'round stream and that there are many sites where electricity might be produced for nearby villages. The experience of the Chinese with more than 60,000 of these units suggests that this may be an important source of energy.

Whether nuclear fission will prove to be an important energy source for developing countries depends on whether nuclear technology is successful in solving its cost, safety, and waste disposal problems in the Third World, and if so, whether it will come in units small enough to notch the grids in most OIDs.

Viii. Great Potential for Renewable Energy

Solar energy is generally in abundant supply in the Tropics. The amount of energy coming to the Earth each day from the sun is about 10,000 times as much as is used each day from all conventional sources. It comes in four forms:

- a. direct sunshine;
- b. falling water (powered by the sun and gravity); c. wind (driven by the sun's energy); and d. biomass, the basis of all life on earth.

In general, the OICs, most of which are in the tropics or semi-tropics, have more energy from each of these systems (except for wind) than countries in the temperate zones. Although not all have all four solar energy forms in abundance, many of them have much potential of energy from one or more of them. The problem is not in most cases one of limited supply. Indeed, the more that is used, the cheaper it becomes as experience is gained in gathering it and converting it to useful form. The problem, rather, is that the technologies for doing so are--with several exceptions--still being developed and are not yet sufficiently reliable or cheap enough to compete with conventional energy works. Already several decentralized renewable technologies are cost competitive with oil and the electrical grid in areas that are remote from the cities. If the price of oil continues to rise faster than the cost of such technologies, the area of cost competitiveness will increase.

These energy sources have characteristics that make them especially interesting for Third World countries. First, they are inherently decentralized to the rural areas where most Third World people live (except for Latin America where slightly less than half are rural). This is important because distributing centrally produced energy (e.g., electricity and diesel fuel) to rural areas has proved to be a problem in many countries. A World Bank report of 1975 estimated that only 4% of the rural people of Africa lived in areas served by electricity, and the pace of extension seems very slow. Second, the costs of certain technologies to collect and use decentralized renewable energy (DRE) are not expected to rise as rapidly as oil, and the costs of at least one (Photovoltaic) is expected to decline. Third, the long term future of oil does not seem bright and even the short and medium term outlook is uncertain, adding to the interest in technologies that can collect and convert into useable form the generally very ample renewable supply of locally available energy.

However, despite these evidences of promise, there is not much prospect that (except for conventional hydroelectricity) renewable energy will soon become competitive in the modern sectors of the OICs. Even with respect to rural areas, renewable energy needs a great deal more research and site testing before its full promise becomes evident.

ix. Traditional Energy is in Jeopardy

Most of the people in the world rely upon traditional energy such as wood, animal residues, animal power, or sunshine (for drying) as their principal energy source. The vast bulk of such energy is the fourth kind of solar energy discussed in Section VIII above, i.e., biomass. Although it is abundant on earth, there are many areas where, due chiefly to the pressure of population on the available land, this kind of energy is in jeopardy.

The majority of the people in developing countries, particularly the poor, depend on firewood as their main source of fuel. While the contribution of traditional energy sources is minimal in the industrialized nations, firewood is the dominant

and indispensable source of energy throughout the Third World. In many countries in Africa, for example, it accounts for more than four-fifths of the total energy used.

In many regions demand exceeds supply. The shortage of firewood is acute in most regions, and the prices of firewood and charcoal are skyrocketing everywhere. Many families, especially the poorer ones, spend a sizeable fraction of their meager income on firewood. Others walk long distances to procure wood, frequently taking an entire day which can add up to many man-days per year.

Although the pattern and amount of consumption vary from place to place, most firewood and charcoal is consumed in the home. This is mainly for cooking and heating, both in rural and urban areas. A sizeable amount is also used for agricultural and industrial purposes. For example, countries like the Philippines and Tanzania consume hundreds of thousands of tons of wood for curing tobacco, while countries like Mali use large quantities of wood for drying fish. Partly because it can be made relatively easily, charcoal has become increasingly popular in developing countries, especially in rural areas. In many countries a considerable amount of charcoal is used for brick-making, and in other places it is in places it is an important fuel for railways. Countries like Brazil are highly dependent on charcoal for their steel production.^h Furthermore, some nations in Africa and Asia alert charcoal to the oil-exporting countries, industrialized nations and some developing countries. Consequently, in any areas where its use is uncontrolled, the growing demand for charcoal is accelerating deforestation. As traditional methods of charcoal production are very inefficient (often yielding a product having only 25% or less of the heat value

TABLE II-1: ENERGY IMPORTS AND DWINDLING FIREWOOD: AFRICA'S DOUBLE BIND

COUNTRY ENERGY IMPORT DEPENDENCE FUEL WOOD DEPENDENCE
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Export Firings

Forest & Firewood

Merck. Energy

Exports Imports as % of total Energy Consumption: 1976

Merck. Cbnm'l Conn'l Wood- Wood fuel

Exports Energy Energy fuel as % of

_____ 1976 _____ 1976 _____ 1975 _____ Energy

(U\$ run) (%) (%) (Per cap. in kg (%)

of coal e.g.)

Ethiopia 278 27 95 27 352 93 Ghana 804 18 78 157 452
 74

Kenya	656	54	97	152	430	74
Mali	97	25	97	27	956	97 Niger 86 NA
100 35 239 87 Senegal	426	15	96	156	265	63
Tanzania	459	22	100	66	1,021	94
U. Volta	53	19	100	18	274	94
Zaire	930	16	76	62	200	76

Sources: World Bank Report 1978 and 1979, Cots. 1, 2; UNCPAD Compilation, Col. 3; ODC (J. Tarrant) compilation for Cols. 4-6: from UN World Energy Supplies, Series J, for Col. 4; from FAO Forestry Statistics Series, energy value calculated on basis 2.3 cubic meters of wood to 1 metric ton of coal equivalent.

In some places the demand for wood for cooking is so intense that all the trees are cut for *many* miles around population centers. In some areas there had been a movement from wood to kerosene for cooking. With the rapid increase in oil prices, however, there has been a reverse trend from kerosene back to wood and charcoal thus putting additional pressure on the forests. The firewood problem is serious in most PERTs of the developing world. Whether it be in the tropical regions of Africa, the Indian subcontinent, or the Andean valleys in Latin America, wood is fast becoming scarce and expensive.

In such diverse countries as South Korea, Pakistan, Mali, Ethiopia, Bolivia, and Peru, for instance, massive use of firewood is creating acute problems. The problem is not confined to the supply and price of fuel; there are also far-reaching and in the long-run are looming environmental problems associated with it. Forests, which are the richest ecosystems, are disappearing at an alarming rate. And if the present trends continue, many studies indicate that a sizeable percentage of world forests is likely to disappear before the end of the century. This has unknown consequences (XI regional and/or global climatic changes and on food production. Furthermore, the alternative use of animal dung and crop residues for cooking is depriving the soil of much needed agricultural nutrients and is damaging the soil structure, fertility, and quality. Some of the consequences are falling food production and the expansion of deserts in many regions.

Awareness of the critical importance of energy to the development of LDCS has grown rapidly in the past few years. LDCS and donor countries alike have watched with increasing unease as sharply rising commercial outlays for oil imports eat into scarce export earnings and development resources, while growing urban and rural demand for firewood strip many countries of trees and erode their watersheds. Long overlooked, the dominating role of firewood in the developing countries' overall national energy balances is beginning to be recognized as its longer-term availability has come into doubt. And for most countries there are virtually no alternatives to wood except hydropower--still largely untapped--or agricultural wastes.

Despite the dire consequences of excessive burning of wood for fuel, the world continues to ignore and under-reel of it. As population grows and consumption increases, forests continue to be depleted. According to one source, the amount of wood that the people in the developing countries (excluding China and other centrally planned economies of Asia) burn in a year "would stand at least 20 feet high and 20 feet wide and extend completely around the equator" or 1.3 billion cubic meters, which any think is a rather conservative estimate.

A brief look at the problem on the continent of Africa will illustrate the point.¹

Given present rates of deforestation, Senegal will be bare of trees in 30 years, Ethiopia in 20, Burundi in seven. Outside of Ouagadougou, the land has been stripped of trees for 45 miles in all directions. In Accra and Lagos, people in search of fuel tear the scaffolding from construction sites.³ According to a 1978 energy experts' report, much of the eight nation region of the Shale will have become desert by the year 2000 unless passive reforestation and fuel wood planting-- "50 times" the present plans--is undertaken soon.

In nine African countries surveyed by the World Bank, present annual rates of forestation would need to be increased by 8-50 times in order to meet domestic fuel wood needs to the year 2000. Even this assumes that a third to one-half of total rural energy requirements could be met by other forms of energy than wood, or through increased end-use

Efficiency. (See Table II-2.)

For Africa as a whole, Abider Personal estimates that annual new plantations will be needed to retest rural and urban fuel cod needs over the next 20 years at about one million hectares a year. Of this total, 700,000 ha. are in the savannah and steppe zones, about 100,000 [ha. in](#) rural areas of North Africa (excluding Egypt), about 50,000 ha.

Around large urban centre in rain-forest canes, and another 100-150,000 [ha. in](#) highland and cry areas. Additional plantations would be required for domestic timber and pulpwood needs, but these are quite modest comlared with the plantations needed for fuel wood: 150-200,000 ha. For domestic

TABLE II-2: COMPARISON OF CURRENT ANNUAL RURAL AFFORFSTATION PIIOORAMS IN SELECTED DEVEUJPIN3 COUNTRIES WITH THE APPROXIMATE SIZE OF PROGRAM NEEDED TO MEET DOMESTIC FUELWOOD RE UIRFMENTS TO THE YEAR 2000

COUNTRY	Current Annual	Approximate Total Annual Planting	Factor Indicating
Afforest-Program	Target	How Much	
Action Program	To Meet mimetic	Required by 2000	the Present Annual Rate
Fuel nod Needs to 2000	To Meet <i>Thin stick</i> Needs	of Planting Must Be Increased to	

Meet Domestic

Needs to 2000

	(000's ha.)	(000's ha.)a	(rtm ha.)	
Ethiopia	1.0	50.0	1.00	50.0
Burundi	1.5	5.4	0.11	3.6
Malawi	2.5	13.0	0.26	5.2
Mali	0.5	4.0	0.08	8.0
Niger	0.5	3.5	0.07	7.0
Nigeria	10.0	100.0	2.00	10.0
Rwanda	1.5	13.0	0.26	8.6

Sierra	0.5	2.5	0.05	5.0
Leone				
Tanzania	2.5	20.0	0.40	8.0

Note: Assumes that one-third to one-non ox u Lai rue energy requirements could be fret by other forms of energy than wood, such as biogas plants or solar cookers and by introducing greater end-use efficiency.

Source: World Bank Rata. Table by John S. Spare, Forestry Advisor, World Bank, Washington, D.C., in paper presented at the 103rd Annual Meeting of the American Forestry Association, October 8, 1978, entitled "Wood as an Energy Source: The Situation in the Enveloping World."

Timber and about 30-40,000 ha. for pulpwood, outside of South Africa.

Current annual planting rates for all of Africa appear to be under 10% of this targeted need.

Estimates of the costs of an adequate planting program vary widely. For the Shale, an illustrative average for village woodlots is \$725 per hectare (CILSS estimate, based on recent field experience). This covers the first year's major capital cost of planting, plus the next four years of maintenance to get the lot established. It also includes Repayment for labors and fencing, with labors accounting for 59% of the costs

World Bank estimates range between \$300 and \$1,000 or more per hectare, in specific projects which are considered pilot trials before large-scale plantation efforts are undertaken. An Algerian program reportedly has averaged \$290 per ha. With itch of the local labour being laid in kind with World Food Program assistance. One Ethiopian village claims costs of only \$66 per ha. Excluding village labour which was volunteered. Cwnlmrable costs for commercial plantations operated by the Ethiopian Forestry and Wildlife Authority (FAWOA) were cited at \$400 to \$1,250 per hon.

Reasons for these variations need to be examined very closely. Whether financed from meager African national trudged resources me Fran already stretched and inadequate official development assistance funds, deforestation on the scale needed to net fuel wood demand from sustained yield will require significantly larger outlays of public funds.

We do not have cost estimates for an adequate response to the deforestation problem in the entire Third World but it would likely be at least twice the size of the African task. Using the Shelia figure of \$750 per ha., this would suggest costs in the order of \$1.5 billion per year. This is Isolable a minimum figure.

An offer by the countries with capital and technical knowledge (including perhaps both oil exporters as well as importers) to undertake a program of these dinensions could be a significant part of a negotiating package on energy. The problem is one that all nations share an interest in resolving. Ni adequate response to deforestation would help in the medium-term to save oil, it would slow the process of soil erosion and, according to some authorities, it would help to resolve the problem of increasing Q₂ in the atmosphere.

x. OI DCS Face a Double Transition

The industrialized countries must make a transition *from oil* to other more plentiful energy sources including, eventually, inexhaustible sources. It is a painful process that has unsettled people and governments in the North. The acute problems of the US in setting a sensible oil pricing policy illustrate the difficulties of this transition. The problems of many OIUCs in making the transition will be equally or more traumatic, because most of them depend even more than the US on imported oil for their modern sector, and many of them lack the capital and the technical and entrepreneurial know-how to make the changes. Yet most of them have an even greater problem in making another transition: from traditional energy to modern energy. Why must they make this transition? *Why not* continue to rely on traditional energy? There are two reasons.

First, the transition from traditional *energy* (notably wood and animal power) is necessary because that source of energy, although renewable, is failing behind demand. As we saw in item I above, there is simply not enough wood to keep up with demand in rural areas, and land formerly used to pasture draft animals is needed to raise crops to feed the expanding population. Whether the absolute quantity of traditional energy is diminishing is not certain; but in many areas the per capita availability of much energy is declining. There is therefore a shift from traditional to modern energy, and unless there is astonishingly good management of the problem, the shift will continue.

Second, even if traditional energy were everywhere abundant, the transition to modern energy is still necessary, because the quality of traditional energy is not good enough to help developing countries meet their development goals. It does an adequate job of cooking and heating, and an acceptable but not fully adequate job of transport and pulling farm implements. But it does not meet the needs for lighting, electronic communications, refrigeration (e.g., redefines), or shaft power.

For these two reasons, developing countries must make this second, more important, and more difficult transition from traditional to modern energy, even as they face the transition from oil to successor energy works.

xi. OIUCS Must Make a Difficult Choice

Unfortunately, the transition from traditional to modern energy, which is already under way, is taking an ominous turn. With few exceptions, it is a shift to oil. To what extent the oil price rises of recent years have arrested the trend is not clear. But a series of case studies and much anecdotal evidence and personal observations strongly suggest that the trend continues toward oil in the traditional energy using areas of the Third world.

If, as most experts believe, the world is in the last few decades of the petroleum era and will see oil production peak at or before the end of the century, it makes little sense for a developing country to make a transition to oil just at the time it must undertake a transition from oil to successors. Why not make the transition directly to those successors? The problem is that those successors are not yet fully proven and available. Oil-based machines and equipment are highly perfected, they are on-the-shelf and easy to purchase, a cadre of people are at hand who can maintain and repair them, and--with some exceptions--they perform better and cost less than alternatives. Any decision to forego the shift to oil-based technology is a decision that will hurt

developing. In short, the dilemma of the OIOCs is this: if they continue the shift to oil, they will be in great trouble in a few decades; if they interrupt the shift, they will be in trouble now.

This discussion reveals an option that may be more open to the Third World than to the industrialized countries: i.e., to give much greater emphasis to modern decentralised renewable energy. Advocates of "soft energy" paths tout small decentralised renewable energy. But they have made little headway in the industrialized countries, because:

- a. most people live in urban areas,
- b. modern large-scale energy does a good job of meeting those people's needs,
- c. it is cheaper than soft energy, given present market conditions-many of which reflect government decisions rather than the free play of competitive forces, and
- d. there is a gigantic capital investment in "hard energy" systems (large, centralized, and delectable) that would be lost, along with many personal fortunes if those systems were replaced; hence a opposition to change may be expected.

By contrast, in most of the Third World:

- a. people live in rural areas, far from the reach of grids of modern energy,
- b. modern energy (i.e., oil and electricity), when available to those remote people, is very highly priced --often higher than soft energy is expected to be (though unconvincing evidence to prove this is lacking), and
- c. there is relatively little investment in hard energy; the expansion of soft energy to the majority of people could proceed for many years before it threatened to displace hard energy. To this date, no government has made a decision to give priority to soft energy (though PR China and a few others are giving it extended trials). But the option is relatively more open to OIICs than to industrialized countries.

Xii. Energy in OIOCs Is Little Studied and Poorly Understood

There is relatively less quantitative information on commercial energy use and availability in the OIICS than in the industrialized countries. But in the area of traditional energy, the lack of reliable information is almost absolute. Indeed, energy experts have woe to use the term "energy" as synonymous with "commercial energy," even though the great majority of the world's people rely on traditional, and have little contact with commercial, energy. The reason for this seemingly gross oversight is simple: there is virtually no reliable quantitative information about traditional energy. A few surveys have been made of energy use in villages on a given day and the results multiplied to approximate annual energy use; but these fragmentary reports contain great errors. To obtain reliable data, reports would be needed by reliable observers who live in a sample of villages over a period of time.

xiii. Energy Institutions Are Young and Inexperienced

With some important exceptions (e.g., India, Korea, Egypt, and Brazil), *OIDC* governments have not had much experience in dealing with the kinds of energy problems described above. So long as commercial energy (mostly oil) was considered to be inexhaustible and was sold at prices so low that the cost of energy was not a constraining factor in government or business planning, few *OIDCs* paid very much attention to the subject, except for the work of electrical utilities in providing electricity to existing grids, and that of oil companies in distributing petroleum products. Thus there is little experience in collecting the information needed for sound planning, in designing plans, in designing *RD&D* programs, or in implementing energy plans. There are few private companies that can build energy technologies or service and supply them, perform energy audits, or in the wide range of activities needed in the 1980s. Skilled and experienced personnel are lacking in most energy specialties at all levels.

C. The Needs of the *OIDCs*

The above summary of the energy characteristics of the *OIDCS* suggests several needs (these will be discussed further in Chapter III). First, the *OIDCS* need to have access to increasing supplies of oil. Second, they need to increase the production and improve the management of non-commercial energy, specifically to reverse the process of deforestation and to exploit solar energy sources. Third, they need to improve the efficiency of energy use, both commercial and non-commercial. Fourth, they need to discover and develop their indigenous commercial energy. Fifth, they need to make progress in the transition to oil's successors. Sixth, they must decide whether to permit the continuation of the transition toward oil or to interrupt it. Seventh, they need to learn a great deal more about energy regimes of their economies, particularly in the rural areas. Finally, they need to strengthen existing institutions and in some cases establish new ones which can plan and manage energy services, and they need to extend the numbers of qualified energy personnel.

D. Short-Run Energy and Balance of Payments Problems I.

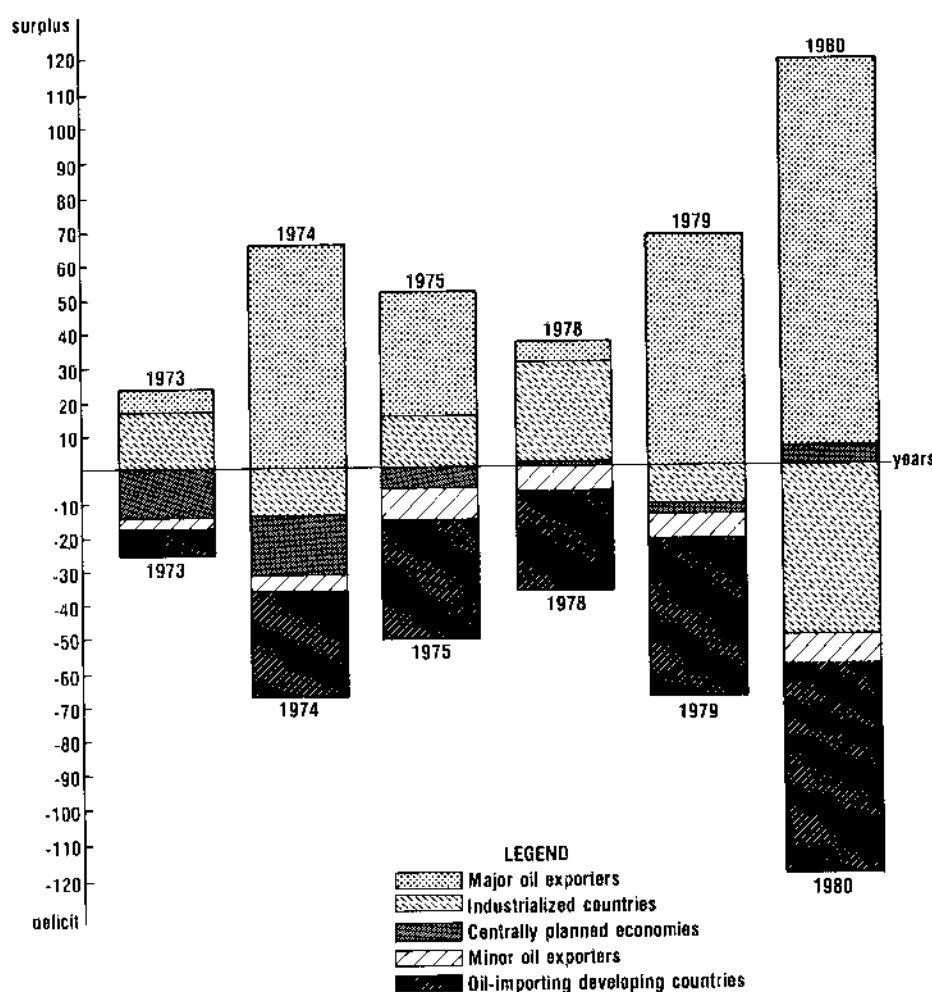
Dimension of the Problem

It is normal for some countries' external accounts to be in surplus and others' to be in deficit at any given time. Beginning in the 1970s, these imbalances became larger than normal, triggered by sudden and steep oil price rises, and aggravated by the struggle within and among countries over which groups of people would bear the cost of those price rises. Throughout the decade, the

major OXDCs have run surpluses on current account (including private transfers) each year, which the IMP estimates to have grown from \$6 billion in 1973 to \$68 billion in 1979 and \$115 billion in 1980 (Table I1-3). It estimates that non-oil developing countries (including some minor OXDCs) as a group have had current account deficits each year, growing from \$11 billion in 1973 to \$55 billion in 1979 and \$68 billion in 1980, although several advanced developing countries have managed surpluses during several years of the decade. The industrialized countries as a group basically stayed in surplus throughout the decade (except for 1974 and minor deficits in 1976-77) but moved into deficit in 1979 which reached an estimated \$52 billion in 1980. However, some of these countries have incurred very large deficits throughout most of the decade.

The second and third waves of oil price rises which occurred in 1979-80 are expected to result in a somewhat similar pattern, in which (IKLEs rmy generate surpluses in 1980 exceeding \$100 billion and OIDs Tray incur much of the corresponding deficit. Even in the 19705 which had relatively manageable imbalances, there were serious hump costs. The annual growth in production (GDP) fell sharply during rest of the decade for a large group of OIOcs, hurting bath agricultural and manufacturing output. For many countries there was little or no growth on a per capita basis, and for secret there were declines in some years. Buried in these aggregates are many human tragedies: cases where, because the cost of kerosene skyrocketed, wood was used which accelerated the

11. PAYMENTS BALANCE ON CURRENT ACCOUNT, 1973-1980
(US \$ billion)



Source: IMF, World Economic Outlook, 1980.

process of deforestation; costl cases where, because diesel fuel as y, crock were not irrigated; and cases unavailable or too growth slowed, people did not find where, because industrial Jobs and their children suffered from elutriation.

TABLE 11-3: PAYMENTS BALANCE ON CURRENT AMOUNT, 1973-1980a

	1973	1974	1975	1978	1979	1980
In dust. Countries	18.1			30.8	-10.6	est.
		(US\$ billion)				
		-13.2	16.2			-51.5
Diving Countries	6.6	67.8	35.0	5.0	68.4	115.0
a. Major OXII Cs						
of which:	6.7	43.3	30.8	19.8	55.7	n.a.
six surplus						
b. Non-oil	-11.3	-36.9	-45.8	-36.2	-54.9	-68
of which:	-2.6	-5.1	-9.8	-7.1	-8.2	-6
minor Oxlips						
Oil's	-8.7	-31.8	-36.0	-29.1	-46.7	-62
Others	13.4	17.7	5.4	-0.4	2.9	-4

Notes: payments exclude official transfers.

BPR China, Soviet Unction and pastern Europe, plus errors, omissions and asymmetries in data.

Source: 1MP, World Economic Outlook, 1980.

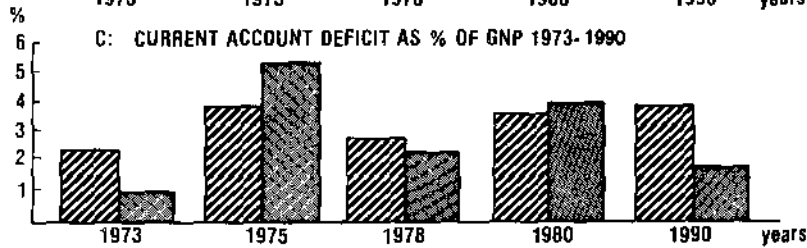
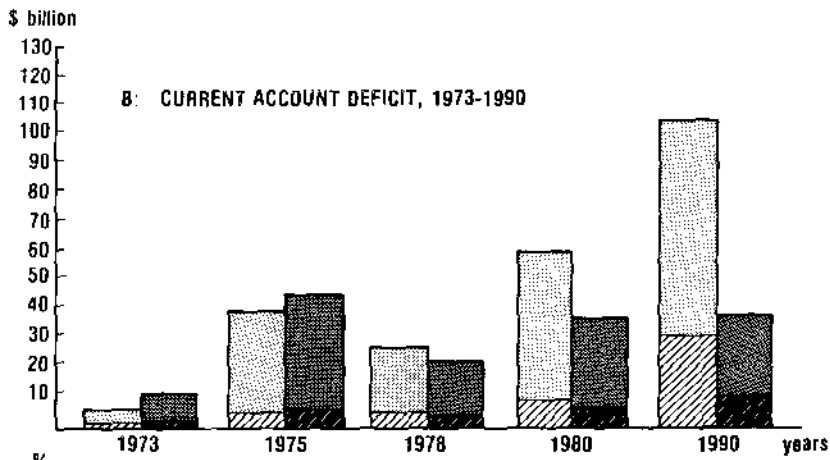
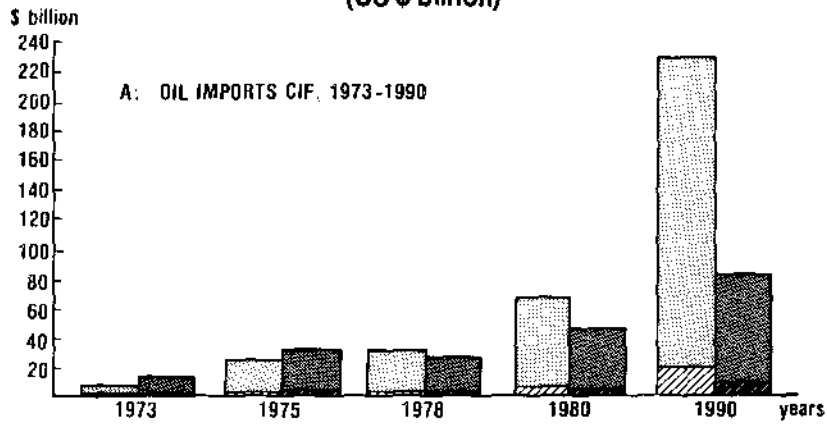
In the 1980s there is concern that severe imbalances will impose much greater human costs. A number of the more advanced developing countries i.e. be able to continue to borrow from private financial markets. Even this is not assured, because banks may consider some of those countries to be too indebted already. But there is little chance that the low-income countries will be able to borrow in the private market, and in any event most observers do not consider the terms of that market suitable for these countries. How great the human costs will be depends upon how vigorous these countries are in adopting suitable economic policies and, to an important degree, upon the performance of the external world. These external factors are discussed in section E below. Judging from past experience, the problem will strike with different force in different countries. (See Table II-1).

In the 1970s, the average annual growth in GNP of East Asian countries continued at 8% and that of the Middle East and North Africa at more than 7% (both up from the previous decade), giving per capita GNP increases of 5.7% and 4.4% respectively. But in South Asia the rate of increase in GNP dropped from 4.3% to 3.5% and in Southern Europe from 7.1% to 5.1%, and the corresponding per capita figures dropped from 1.8% to 1.3% and from 5.6% to 3.5%.

Out of more than 120 OICDS, just over 100 do not produce any oil at all. Another 13 must import at least 45% of their oil and more than three-quarters of them are more dependent on oil imports than the US. The World Bank estimates OICDS' oil imports in 1980 at 6.2 million b/d of oil, increasing to 8 million b/d by 1990 (Table II-4). Indeed, if present trends hold, import volume could double from today's level by the end of the century. It estimates the cost of OICDS' oil imports in 1973 at about \$7 billion, or 8% of their total imports of goods. This rocketed to \$25 billion (20% of imports) in 1975 and to about \$30 billion in 1978 (a decline to 17% of imports). With the price rises of 1979-80 this is expected to rise in 1980 to about \$67 billion, or about 23% of their total imports. It estimates the OICDS' oil imports to rise by 1990 to some \$230 billion (\$120 billion in 1980-\$), as shown in Table II-4.

Meanwhile, the sluggish economic Performance in industrialized countries will pose sore additional problems for O1DC8. The World Bank estimates that their deficit on current account (including private transfers) rose sharply from US\$ 9 billion (in 1977-\$) in 1973 to \$44 billion in 19759 the deficit declined in the next few years but hit the same level again in 1980 (Table IV-4). It is expected to stay in the order of \$40 billion (in 1980-\$) during the decade. Expressed as a percentage of GNP, the deficit jumped from 1% in 1973 to 5% in 1975; it declined in the next three years but rose to 4% in 1980.

12. OIC CURRENT ACCOUNT DEFICITS, 1973-1990
(US \$ billion)



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	Middle-income countries	Low-income countries
In Current \$	[Light stippled box]	[Diagonal lines box]
In Constant 1977 \$	[Dark stippled box]	[Solid black box]

Source: World Bank, *World Development Report*, 1980.

TABLE II-4: OIDC_CURRENT ACWUNT DEFICITS, 1973-90a

1973 1975 1978 1980 1985 1990 (US\$ billion, current prices)

a. Oil Imports c.i.f.

Total OIDs	7	25	32	67	124	229	low-income	1	n. a.	2	6	13	23	Middle-income
				6		n. a.	30		61		111		206	

(Million b/d)

Total OIX28			4.6	n. a.	6.4	6.2	6.8	8.0						
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b. Current Account Deficit

Total OIDS	6.7	39.6	27.1	61.0	78.4	104.2	low-income	2.3	5.4	5.7	10.0	18.6
32.0 Middle-income			4.4	34.2		21.4	51.0	59.7	72.2			

(US\$, billion, 1977 prices)

Total OIDS		9.2	44.4		23.5	43.2	38.7					38.5 (% of GNP)
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Total OIDS	1.1	<u>5.1</u>	2.3	3.9	2.8	2.1	Low-intone	2.2	3.8	2.7	3.6	3.8	3.9
Middle-intone			0.9	5.3	2.2	4.0		2.6		1.8			

Notes: deficits exclude official transfers. High-case projections, which assume successful economic adjustment and better economic growth than in their low-case.

Source: World Bank president's address to Board of Governors, September 1980 (updating WDR III).

The low-income countries face serious financing

problems. In the World Bank's analysis (illustrated in

Table IV-4), the deficits can only be financed if a) aid from industrialized (DAC) and OPEC countries were to treble in current prices during the next decade, b) support from multilateral institutions were increased, and c) the share of low-income countries in bilateral aid from industrialized countries were to rise to about 50% from the present 40%.

For middle-income countries, bilateral official finance is unlikely to be as freely available as in 1974-75. Lending by multilateral institutions at near-market terms will depend on increases in the capital which backs their own borrowing. As for private finance, some OIDs which have borrowed heavily and have high debt service obligations will have to be cautious about further borrowing. Debt service payments of middle-income OIDs could peak in 1985 at almost 30% of exports of goods and services.

The ability of the private sector to maintain as predominant a role in financing the major borrowing countries stands in doubt. In Morgan Guaranty's view, the IMF is still groping towards a meaningful capability to address those recycling needs which the private sector may be unable to meet. It points out the need to balance responsibilities among official and private lenders and governments, to achieve orderly financing and adjustment. The unpredictable growth of oil prices and balance-of-payments disequilibria makes highly uncertain the size of recycling needs and the ability of industrial countries to restore healthy economic growth. Unless developing countries can be assured of adequate finance, many will have to curtail severely their economic growth. Continued growth in the developing countries is also vital to the economic prosperity of industrial countries, which exported \$180 billion to non-OPEC LDCs in 1979.

ii. Options Open to OIDs

Two basic options are available to developing countries to deal with this problem, which do not involve basic international reforms. First, they may cut oil imports by reducing oil waste, substituting other energy sources for oil or cutting back development. Second,

they may seek external finance. A third option is that of undertaking to improve their exports, but it is as much dependent upon reform of the international economic order as upon internal reactions (See Section E below.)

a. Cut Back on Imports

There is a significant waste of oil in the OIICs, albeit not as large relative to that in the North. It is the result of energy inefficiency rather than that of luxurious use. Over the next few years, a program of improving efficiency could significantly save on oil costs.

Opportunities in the Third World to substitute for plentiful forms of energy for oil also are significant. For example, oil is frequently used to generate electricity. Yet, only a small fraction (an estimated 4%)^s of the hydroelectric potential in the Third World has been exploited. In a number of countries, there may be coal that could be used to generate electricity.

Another course of action that OIICs may take is to follow a policy of economic restraint. This would reduce the pace of development. Thus, for example, the Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund, J. de Larosière, recently urged Africans to avoid dealing with their partly oil-induced economic problems by borrowing too much or by increasing taxes. Rather, they should do so by cutting back on demand, by such steps as cutting their budgets, tightening money supply, and keeping the costs of imports high through exchange rate policies. He admitted candidly that "this will no doubt involve difficult choices regarding education, housing, health, and even public employment. But these choices have to be made."

b. Seek External Help

The second option for oil-importing Third World countries is to seek more external financial support. The deficit of the non-oil developing countries (including minor exporters) is estimated by the IMF to reach about \$68 billion in 1980, which will leave a number of them in need of external assistance.

TABLE II-5: NET OIL IMPORTS AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP TO EXPORT EARNINGS FOR EIGHT DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, 1973-1979

	Net Oil Imports				Imports in Relation to			
	1973	1974	1977	1979	1973	1974	1977	1979
	(US\$ million)				Earnings (%)			
Kenya	47	191	252	280	9.0	28.9	20.2	25.2
Zambia	32	89	108	NA	2.8	6.4	11.6	NA
Thailand	175	510	806	1147	11.1	20.9	23.1	21.6
Korea	278	810	1926	3103	8.6	21.7	19.2	20.6
Philippines	167	548	863	1109	9.2	21.0	27.7	24.6
Brazil	986	3233	4201	6898	15.9	40.7	34.7	45.3
Argentina	83	328	338	351	2.5	8.3	6.0	4.5
Jamaica	7L	193	242	NA	18.1	27.3	32.4	NA

Sources: IMP, International Financial Statistics, Vol. 33 No. 10, (November 1980, lines 70 and 71 a. Note also data for 1973 and 1974 in UNEP, Committee on Natural Resources, "Recent Trends and Future Prospects," Report of the Secretary-General, April 1977, Tables 8 and 9, pp 31-2.

c. Reviewing the Options

Reviewing these options, it seems evident that energy efficiency and substitution of other energy resources for oil offer important opportunities for cutting the oil deficit, but not in the immediate future. To achieve these savings will take substantial amounts of capital. Nevertheless, investments in efficiency and in substitution are frequently good investments that should be made as soon as possible. The returns on many such investments will be very high in a few years, though they do not help with the immediate crisis.

With respect to the option of cutting back on development, we do not think that is in the interests of oil exporters, industrialized countries, or OPEC. Arguments as

TABLE 11-6:

WORLD OIL CONSUMPTION: ANNUAL RATE OF CRANCE, 1970-78a

	1970-73	1973-75	1976	1977	1978
	(percent p.a. change)				
World	7.1	-1.8	7.1	3.7	3.4
Dev'd Market Economies	6.2	-4.4	6.5	2.3	2.2
Delving Countries	<u>10.8</u>	2.3	10.7	7.7	5.2
a. OIXS	9.2	3.0	11.8	13.7	4.4
b. OIACS	9.3	<u>0.3</u>	9.4	<u>4.1</u>	4.7
Sub-total	9.2	1.4	10.5	8.3	5.2
c. Asian CPES	21.5	6.6	11.4	5.1	8.6

Note: °Oil consumption includes inland demand for refined products, bunkers, refinery fuel and loss.

This definition of developing countries includes Asian centrally planned economies (CPES): PR Q in, Cambodia, Laos, Mongolia, North Korea, and Vietnam.

Source: UN World Energy Supplies, Series J, No. 22.

to why it is in the global interest to keep growth rates high in the Third World are nude elsewhere.°

The Third World increased its consumption of oil at almost 11% p.a. during 1970-73 (see Table II-6). This growth rate fell dramatically to Just over 2% p.a. during the two years of oil shock 1974-75, before resuming at its earlier rate of 11% p.a. in 1976. But it fell off sharply in 1977 and again in 1978 to 5% p.a., the latest year for which the UN has published data. This Third World definition comprises not only OIIXs but also CACDCS and Asian centrally planned economies, where the growth in oil consumption has typically been higher than the average.

To cut these rates in OIOCS much further would take a toll on development. There are few non-oil based machines ready to be put to use for certain modern industrial processes or for transport of goods and people. Even in rural areas, diesel or gasoline generators or Fwmp, and kerosene lames and stoves are the easiest to order, the simplest to maintain and

Operate, and frequently the cheapest to buy. A policy decision to cut back on oil, before substitutes are available, would inevitably slow the pace of development in the countries that can least afford such a turn of affairs. Because the oil-importing Third World uses only 8.5% of the world oil consumption, belt-tightening (not to be confused with improving the efficiency with which oil is used) in this part of the world at such a high cost in human well-being can hardly be justified. Moreover, if the developing countries are to have the possibility of even substantially reduced rates of growth (as compared to recent years), they have to have increased, not reduced, access to oil.

Leaving aside exports of goods and services which are discussed in Section E below, this leaves the option of increased reliance on foreign financing as the chief means of adjusting to high oil costs. This is discussed below.

U. Sources of External Finance

Broadly, such foreign sources may be classified under two headings: private and official. On the assumption that industrialized countries make every effort to adjust and continue a foreign trade policy relatively free of import restraints, one might expect the middle-income countries to be able to borrow to cover a part of their deficit, say \$10 billion p.a. on foreign capital markets (against bonds in major foreign international banks). As mentioned above, some of the poorest developing countries cannot borrow on commercial markets nor can they adjust their economies except at unacceptable cost in human and other terms. Accordingly, highly concessional aid needs to be secured for these countries for an appreciable period ahead. Fortunately, the total financing required on a grant basis for these countries is relatively small and can be taken care of by increases of aid to them by OECD and OPEC countries.

Since the total OICD deficit in 1980 is expected to be about \$20 billion higher than in 1979, \$10 billion will be left to be financed by public sources over and above current flows. There are several current and potentially new sources for such funds. First, there is OPEC aid. OPEC official development assistance to the OICDS now runs at about \$5.0 billion. At a meeting of the OPEC Ministerial Committee on Long-Term Strategy in London on 21-22 February 1980, a recommendation was approved that i) the OPEC Special Fund be made into a development agency with an initial

authorised capital of \$20.0 billion and ii) OPFG assist OIACS with loans and grants to meet the cost of their oil imports. Although this is not yet a final decision, there are grounds for some optimism that OPFC may increase its contribution.

OECD aid to OIACS is not likely to increase much in the short term. There is some hope for another \$1-2 billion, including aid from IDA, the soft-loan windows of the regional banks as well as the regular windows of the several international banks, additional aid in the form of postponements of payments on past debts due to donors, and increases in food aid.

This leaves some \$8-10 billion to be financed each year by the IMF for 1980 and 1981 at least. In the three years 1979-81 the IMF has or will distribute about four billion SDRs to its members, of which about 700 million SDRs accrue to OIACS. Moreover, there are still resources available in the Trust Fund which is to be lent on highly concessionary terms (ten years repayment period at half percent and repayment starting at the end of the fifth year of the loan outstanding). Besides this, the terms of the loan at the end of the ten-year period can be reviewed and may be extended by the Executive Board of the Fund.

Furthermore, the Fund is in general reasonably liquid to provide resources to the higher-income developing countries to meet their urgent Balance-of-payment needs on suitable terms. Its ability to provide necessary finance would be considerably enhanced, if the number of governments were to agree to increase their quotas as provided for in the seventh *General Review* of Fund quotas. Moreover, the Supplementary Financing Facility under which the Fund borrowed from member countries has not been substantially utilized, and the Managing Director has been encouraged to start discussion with potential lenders on the terms and conditions under which the Fund could borrow funds to increase its resources.

Considering the nature of the adjustment problems faced by member countries, the Fund has been encouraged by its interim committee to review its policies both in regard to the length of adjustment by member countries and also to explore the possibility of obtaining other resources to subsidise its lending to low-income developing countries. It was felt that the Fund should study the possibility of using a part of the Trust Fund resources for ameliorating the conditions of loans to low-income developing countries.

E. Long-Run Energy and Balance of payments Problems and Reforms in the International Economic Order

I. Introduction

In Section D above, we dealt with two courses of action a country can take to improve its external account: cutting imports and seeking outside help. This left out of account the most constructive course of action, i.e., increasing exports. To an important extent, good management of the internal economy will lead to increased exports. But the ability of ninth countries to increase exports is severely limited by external factors over which they have no control. Borrowing money (discussed in Section DJ is no more than a temporary solution, albeit *highly* essential for the immediate future. To get at the roots of the balance-of-payments problem will take much more heroic measures, involving international cooperation.

Industrialized countries' regrets must be increasingly open to exports from OIOCs. Industrialized countries' demand for those products must remain buoyant and grow even stronger. Prices of Northern exports to the Oils must not inflate too much. Oil must remain physically available to OIACS, along with the means to finance it. Given these conditions, the external accounts of most Ours can be kept manageable, and consequently the human costs of the transition from oil to its successors can be minimized. Indeed great progress can be achieved during the transition. But if trade barriers are erected, inflation remains unchecked, recession occurs, physical shortages of oil take place, and credit is not available on suitable terms, then the transition will exact high costs in human suffering in the nations of the South, and its consequences will take a toll in the North as well.

ii. Structural Reform of the International Economic Order

Below we describe briefly several of the more familiar and a few newer proposals for reforms of the international economic order, to link logically with the efforts of the OIACS to resolve their long-run energy and balance-of payments problems.

a. Trade

The term "trade" is used in this context to include processed and manufactured goods. Raw materials are discussed below under the heading "commodities." The key trade reform needed is that the South's exports be given improved access and preferential treatment to Northern markets. A Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) for

[DC exports was agreed to in the early 1970s, which eliminated import duties on a broad range of Southern exports. But during the same period tariff reductions were being negotiated that applied to other Northern countries as well, thus reducing the margin of preference accorded to Southern exports. Moreover, a number of Northern countries have erected non-tariff barriers to discourage imports of labour-intensive manufactured goods, as their own domestic laborers complained of being displaced by "cheap labour" imports from the South. These non-tariff barriers included, for example, actual quotas or maximum limits on imports of a given kind from a given developing country, or export restraints exercised "voluntarily" by LDCs (under threat of a quota). In: lopping countries have sought the progressive elimination of all non-tariff barriers and the reduction of tariffs, and have asked that revenues which are collected as a result of tariffs on imports from LDCs be rebated to the South as development aid.

b. Commodities

Closely related to trade is improved treatment of commodities exported from the South. A common fund has been proposed to finance buffer stocks agreements to support and stabilize the prices of such exports. The initial goal was a (inn Fund of \$6.0 billion (both to operate buffer stocks and to help LDCS diversify and develop new products, and process raw materials). In March 1979 agreement was reached on a small piece of this goal, including a fund totaling \$750 million.

The South has found particularly burdensome the Northern practice of escalating tariff barriers on goods from the South to the extent these goods are processed. Thus a saw material may enter free of barriers; but if it is semi processed, barriers are imposed. If it is further processed, barriers escalate accordingly. The elimination of escalating tariffs is sought especially by those countries which export raw materials and aspire to improve their earnings by exporting finished or semi-finished goods.

c. Transfer of Resources

In the IM strategy of the Second Development Decade, donor countries promised their best efforts to provide 0.7% of their GNP in Official Development Assistance. Currently the average is 0.35%, although

several DAC countries have reached the target and a number of OPEC countries exceed it by a considerable margin. Recently the Brandt submission, recognizing the difficulties some DAC countries have in meeting the target through annual appropriations, urged that a concerted effort be made to establish automatic sources of revenue for development finance. Such sources might include a tax on internationally traded oil, profits from exploiting the resources of the oceans (or space or the Antarctic), an "SDR link" rebate of taxes collected on imports from LDCs, abates of income taxes collected from skilled migrants to the North (the "brain drain"), rebates of taxes collected by the North on income earned in the South by multi-national corporations (MNCs), and other sources

Another proposal has been made for debt relief for LDCs. Since the reverse flows from some LDCs to the North in payment for past aid loans have become large, canceling or softening these debts further would be the equivalent of new aid to those countries. Not all developing countries are enthusiastic about a generalized kind of debt relief, because its benefits would be distributed unevenly and not always to the poorest countries; and moreover, it might change the credit standing of countries which have been able to borrow in private capital markets.

A related plan is that U should be granted preferential (subsidized) access to private capital markets in the North. Finally, it is often urged that the South be given a greater voice in the decisions on the allocation and management of development aid.

d. Mufti-National Reparations

Developing countries complain that bICs which have control over technology effectively prevent or delay its transfer to the South. They have demanded that a code of conduct be established, which would guide MNCs in their relations with WCs not only as regards transfer of technology but also spelling out rules on interference in domestic affairs of IDCs, corrupt practices, and other subjects. A general code of conduct is being prepared by the Centre for Transnational Corporations under ECOSOC.

e. Food grains

The World Food conference at Rome in 1974 called for a number of reforms to ensure enough food for all. One of the proposals under active consideration is a buffer stock of food grains, which would stabilize prices and offer poor countries security of supply in times of shortfall. Until recently, negotiations have been active in the case of wheat; the issues involve technical mechanisms for the operation of a wheat buffer stock and a guarantee of exports of concessional food aid to IDCs. These negotiations, unfortunately, are at an impasse.

f. Reform of the International Monetary System

Since well before the US Government decision to abandon the gold standard, it was becoming apparent that the monetary system established at Drayton Woods was in need of reform. In recent years a number of proposals have been heard.

One was that UXs be given a greater share of the benefits from the SDRS that for several years were created by the IMF. The conditions governing the access to the Fund by developing countries are seen by many to be excessively onerous and inflexible. These critics argue that IMF funds should be made available over longer periods of time, because the adjustments which funds are intended to facilitate in many cases (e.g.,

the adjustments to higher oil prices) are adjustments that take a number of years to complete.

Proposals have been made for a new facility to help OPEC countries adjust to the oil price rises of 1979. This may very well call for an extension of funds available to the IMF. Some reform plans argue that pressure should be brought on countries in persistent balance-of-payments surplus to adjust also, instead of putting the entire adjustment burden on the shoulders of the deficit countries. In addition, reformers argue that U.S. should be given a greater voice in managing the international monetary system. Finally there is a need to consider international rules governing the management of currency markets (i.e., the Eurocurrency Market), which are now beyond the control of the monetary and banking authorities in any one country. Until now, the discussions on this subject have involved only the OECD countries; and little has been heard on the subject of any special interest from OPEC countries or OPEC. As the issue comes to the fore, it may be that these two parties will have particular points of view that need to be heard.

g. The Management of the Economies of the Industrialized North

Oil price increases have been a triggering mechanism which in many countries has led to inflation. These increases have not caused most of the inflation. The major cause has undoubtedly been the struggle within each country (and to some extent among countries) over how to share the burden of these oil price increases. One economist calculates the direct effect of oil price increases on inflation to be only about 1% in 1979. The rest of the 13% was due to wage-price escalation, government budgetary deficits, and other factors. Others have thought that the direct effects were 3% or 4%.

Many economists believe that in most OECD countries the inflation is now self-perpetuating, so that it will continue even in the absence of any further oil price rises, unless better economic management is forthcoming. It is also clear that the oil price rises need not have triggered inflation. Evidence for this is that in three countries dependent

on oil (FR Germany, Japan, and Switzerland) general inflation was controlled for extended periods of time, although control was made more difficult by the continuation of uncontrolled inflation to other countries.

The inflation in the OECD countries has placed a burden on OPEC countries and OICDS. It has also damaged the OECU countries themselves. It may be argued that it is just as important that there be a general system of surveillance of the management of these economies as it is that oil price and volume be the subject of such a system.

h. The Allocation of RD&D Energy

Virtually all the funding for research, development, and demonstration (RD&D) of new or improved forms of energy comes from the industrialized countries of the North. Scarcely but important exceptions include Brazil's work on gasohol, India's on biomass, and significant work in China. The ability of the entire world to make the critical transition from oil to more abundant and eventually renewable sources depends very largely on the success of these RD&D programs. At present there are no technologies ready to take *over* all of the jobs oil is doing. How soon there will be depends in large part on the wisdom with which the RD&D funds are allocated, and on the quality of work in laboratories and in test projects. The whole world depends on RD&D decisions being made in a handful of countries.

There is reason for OICDs and OICDs to question whether the allocation of RD&D funds is very relevant to their needs. Most energy RD&D funds go to centralized electric systems of very large size, often too large for the grids in the Third World. The OICD countries are making those RD&D decisions because they control the funds, just as OPEC countries make oil volume and price decisions because they control the oil. Yet the future of the entire world will be affected by both sets of decisions. A case can be made that the allocation of energy RD&D funds is a topic which should go on the negotiating table along with oil price and volume.

F. The Intimidate and Long-Penn Interests of OIDs

The enduring energy-related interests of the OIDs *rimy* be grouped under three headings:

i. to have enough oil to meet their needs over the years immediately ahead,

[ii. to](#) rake a smooth transition from oil to inner plentiful energy sources, and

[iii. to](#) develop the improved internal management to rake these two goals possible.

Each of these wills be described briefly in turn. i. **Access to Oil**

OIDs need a reasonable assurance of supply of oil. They also need the means to pay for it. As stated in Section D above, some can get financing from private sources; others will need public sources. This latter need assurance of aid of the kind which would be provided if major automatic sources of aid were available. They also need to improve their export earnings, so they can pay for oil (and other) Longport themselves. This, in turn, logically calls for a variety of improvements in the international economic order, including (as stated in Section E above) reforms in trade, rotundities, the monetary system, and improvements in management of the economies of the industrialized nations to avoid inflation and recession. Finally, they need to find and develop any oil sources that may exist on or offshore their own territories. This process would be supported by NIX) reforms that would make advanced technology available to OIIXs.

ii. Smooth Transition to Oil's Successors

To rake a transition from oil to more plentiful sources of energy requires at least three things. First, the transition wills be smother if there is enough time. Discovering and producing indigenous oil (see Section i above) will provide rote time. Using available oil as efficiently as possible will stretch out the available tine. Improving energy efficiency will be facilitated by reforms in the international economic order which would

Provide more aid, make technology available to DIDs, and improve the allocation of RD&D funds to develop energy efficiency technologies applicable to the Third World.

Second, discovering, producing, and employing more plentiful but delectable energy forms such as coal will make the transition from oil more reliable and smoother.

Third, the transition will be accelerated by more RD&D, testing, and installation of technologies which can capture and convert to useable forms the very large amounts of renewable energy available in most developing countries. Reforms which ensure that more RD&D funds are available for work on renewable—including notably decentralized renewable—energy will speed the transition. Beyond RD&D on decentralized renewable energy technologies, the transition will be improved if such technologies are tested in Third World rural sites to determine whether *they* perform village tasks well and inexpensively and are acceptable to villagers. Fourth, if wood fuels and other traditional fuels are more plentiful, the transition will be supported by slowing the shift now underway from traditional energy to oil.

All of these efforts to smooth the transition would be improved by reforms in the international economic order, which would ensure more development assistance, more RD&D on relevant systems, and a reduction in impediments to the transfer of technology to the DIDs.

iii. Effective Internal Energy Management

In addition to reforms in the international system, achievement of both the above goals (access to oil and a smooth energy transition) depends upon the internal energy actions taken by individual DIDs. The design and implementation of sound energy strategies require institutions and experts with experience and skills. But even with good institutions, sound planning must begin with a good grasp of the facts which currently prevail. Surveys of energy regimes (particularly rural and urban slum areas) and sites of energy technologies for those areas will help to supply those facts. In turn, these needs can be facilitated by a strong reliable flow of development assistance.

2. OIL-EXPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES A. Introduction

The present section examines the objectives and policies of the oil-exporting developing countries (OXDCS), with a view to determine whether there is a sufficient area of converging interest with the oil-importing countries (both developed and developing) to contribute towards the Tries for a global energy policy. The fact that there has been little progress during the past seven years towards an accommodation between the two groups of countries gives scant ground for optimism. However, as time goes by, the problems are becoming more rather than less acute, particularly with respect to three of the central issues:

- i. the desire in the exporting countries to stretch out reserves over as long a period as possible
- ii. The planning for and management of an orderly transition in industrial countries from heavy reliance on imported oil to alternative sources of energy, and
- iii. the difficulties faced by the OIDs in coming sufficient foreign exchange to finance the oil imports which they will need for a long time, in order to maintain an acceptable rate of economic growth.

B. Production and Reserves

There are approximately 28 developing countries which are net oil exporters (OXDCS). Their production and reserves are shown in Table II-7 below. Thirteen of them are members of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC). Among the others, it now seems likely that Iran will be a small net exporter for some years. But Bahrain and Bolivia are more or less self-sufficient and may not have been net exporters in 1979.

In addition to being net exporters of oil, several of the countries have very large reserves of natural gas, notably Algeria, Indonesia, Iran, Nigeria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Malaysia, Mexico, and possibly Kuwait and Venezuela. These reserves are, for the most part, undeveloped but represent a major potential source of energy

For the implanting countries. This source could eventually be a factor in swathing the transition away from oil. (See Section 0 below.)

TABLE II-7: CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION & RESERVES IN OXDCS, 1979

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Production Proven Reserves at Year-end

(Thousand bid) (billion barrels)

TOTAL OXDCS 34,881 491.4

OPEC Countries 30,919 440.3 Algeria 1,240 8.4 Ecuador 214 1.1 Gabon 204 2.0
 Indonesia 1,595 9.6 Iran 3,117 58.0 Iraq 3,451 34.0 Kuwait 2,511 65.2 Libya 23.5
 Nigeria 2,302 17.4 Qatar 506 3.8 Saudi Arabia 9,527 169.1 OAE 1,830 30.3
 Venezuela 1,356 17.9

Other OXDCS 3,962 51.1 Angola 140 1.2
 Bahrain 50 0.2 Bolivia 32 0.2 Brunei 255 1.8 Cameroon 32 0.1 Congo 59 0.4 *Egypt*
 510 3.1 Malaysia 285 2.8 Mexico 1,593 32.5 Qilan 295 3.0 Peru 195 0.7 Syria 170
 2.0 Trinidad & Tobago 223 0.7 Tunisia 102 2.3

Zaire 21 0.1

Total crude oil production in OXIXs reached 35 con b/d in 1979, of which 31 con b/d were produced by OPEC countries. Total proven reserves at year-end 1979 were 490 billion barrels, approximately three-quarters of the world's total reserves. A small number of other developing countries benefit from the oil trade by importing crude oil, processing it in intermediate refineries, and exporting the products. These countries are Bahamas, Bahrain, Netherlands Antilles, Singapore, and South Yemen. Two of them (Bahamas and Netherlands Antilles) also have traps-shipment terminals. Finally, relatively minor benefits accrue to six transit countries which collect transit fees or tolls x revetments of crude originating in another country for export to third country destinations. These are Jordan, Lebanon, Panama, Syria, Turkey, and Egypt, although the pipelines are not currently operating through Jordan and Lebanon (mid-1980). Both Egypt and Panama benefit from canal tolls on oil cargoes in transit and tankers transmitting in ballast on the return leg of the journey. Penance, is also an important bunkering point, as are sane of the "intermediate" refineries mentioned above. Of the 28 exporting countries, 12 have potential for significant expansion of either oil or gas production or both. Of these, 11 produce well over 1 con b/d of oil each. They are the only countries which are of much interest to the importing countries for the purposes of reaching an accommodation which will facilitate an overall global energy policy. The others are either too small or do not appear to have any promise for significant expansion.

The 12 countries referred to above are Algeria, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Nigeria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela, and Mexico. All of them, except for Mexico, are members of OPEC. To some extent, they share the development problems of other developing countries. But there are four main areas that directly concern energy which would have to be the subject of an accommodation between the industrial countries and some or all of the 12 exporting developing countries, if the objectives of both are to be reconciled in a mutually advantageous way. These areas are:

I. exploration and development of oil, particularly heavy oil, and secondary and tertiary recovery Projects,

ii. Development and commercialization of natural gas reserves,

iii. The conservation of oil and gas resources, and

iv. The treatment of financial assets held in the North by the capital-surplus oil-exporting countries.

Each of these issues will be touched upon below along with other important factors affecting relations between the OX [Es and the industrial North.

C. The Importance of Sovereignty

Any approach to a global energy policy can only hope to be successful if the countries of the industrial North fully comprehend the importance which developing countries generally, but in this instance, oil-exporting countries in particular, place upon their sovereignty. The industrial countries of the North, none of which has in recent times been subjected to colonial occupation and exploitation, view their own sovereignty in a relaxed manner, and indeed take it largely for granted. By the same token, they tend to view the importance which developing countries attach to sovereignty as exaggerated, and largely definitional. They suspect that emphasis on it by politicians from Third World countries is merely empty rhetoric, designed to massage the amour propre of their people. But, in fact, as far as OPEC countries are concerned, the memory of colonial and semi-colonial domination remains fresh in people's minds. Of the present 13 member countries of OPEC, eight were European colonies or protectorates until well after the Second World War, another had been militarily occupied by the Allied Powers during the war, and the remaining four were nominally independent, although the independence of two of these was more a matter of form than of substance.

The references to sovereignty, which form part of the Solemn Declaration of Algiers of March 1975 by the Conference of the Sovereigns and Heads of States of the OPEC Member

Countries are not therefore to be taken lightly. The following quotations are taken from the third and fourth paragraphs of the 11 declaration:

The Sovereigns and Heads of State of the Member Countries of OPEC) stress that world peace and progress depends on the mutual respect for sovereignty and equality of all member nations of the international community, in accordance with the UN charter.

The Sovereigns and Heads of State reaffirm the solidarity which unites their countries in safeguarding the legitimate rights and the interests of their peoples, re-asserting the sovereign and inalienable right of their countries to the ownership, exploitation and pricing of their natural resources, and rejecting any idea or attempt that challenges those fundamental rights and thereby the sovereignty of their countries.

The Solemn Declaration of Algiers is of vermicular importance because it is the only occasion on which the heads of state of OPEC countries have met to formulate and put forward their points of view with respect to the development of their principal natural resource. It still remains largely representative of their views.

As far as their oil resources are concerned, the producing countries attach a special importance to the notion of sovereignty. The reason is that, until recently, their oil was being produced in accordance with a series of concession agreements which completely *revved* the industry from any kind of national control, so that the country itself was entirely excluded from any decision related to investment and extraction plans, levels of production, destination of export, or indeed of any important matter whatsoever. Their sole remaining rights were to tax revenues in accordance with a formula that could not be changed without the consent of the concessionaire. In fact, in the Middle East and Africa,

the, governments *were* not even entitled to information concerning the price at which their oil was being sold for export (taxes being levied on a notional price set *by* the companies themselves, without consultation with the governments concerned).

The concession agreements had been voluntarily entered into by previous governments, and numerous revisions of a relatively minor kind had in fact been introduced into them by mutual agreement with the concessionaire. But on key decisions, the concession agreements were becoming, in the view of the host governments, increasingly burdensome and anachronistic as the host country and its government developed and became more sophisticated. Hence, the view was widely held that the concession agreements, which were of unusually long duration (all in the Middle East lasted until at least near the end of the century and one to the year 2025), and not subject to the jurisdiction of local courts, were "unequal treaties" virtually imposed upon them by the oil companies with the backing of their home governments who, at the time, were immeasurably stronger in political terms.

When the events of the early 1970s brought to a head trends which had been gathering force during the previous decade, resulting in a virtually complete transfer to the governments of control of the industry in their countries, these governments felt for the first time that they had achieved in substance what they had previously claimed as their right in theory, namely the right of permanent sovereignty over their natural resources (which had been, in fact, the object of an earlier United Nations resolution). They have now exercised these rights for the past seven years, including the right to make or at least control all decisions concerning investments, the level of production and export prices.

Having once gained the substance of sovereignty over their petroleum resources, the governments of producing countries naturally view with great suspicion any attempt by the industrialized importing countries to draw them into political agreements which would once more limit their freedom of action with respect to supply and price. The derogation to sovereignty which the concession agreements with the oil companies represented having been eliminated, it is not, in the governments' view, to be simply replaced by a new limitation to be introduced into international agreements *nude*, this time, essentially with the governments of the oil companies' home countries. This is the real background to the unremitting hostility which OPEC has shown towards the International Energy Agency, created by the industrial importing countries to coordinate their energy policies as a counterweight to OPEC. It is also an important part of the broad background to the difficulties inherent in any general accommodation with the OICs.

D. Depletion and Transition

The central problems for all of the principal OICs are a) the depletion of their oil and gas reserves and b) economic transition from dependence on their petroleum resources to a diversified and developed economy. Both of these problems exist in widely differing degrees among the exporting countries. As far as depletion is concerned, the following table gives some indication of the disparities among them by showing the ratio of crude oil production in the year 1979 to proved reserves at year-end 1979 for the main 12 exporters.

TABLE II-8: RATIO OF CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION TO PROVED RESERVES: END 1979

<u>COUNTRIES</u>	<u>RATIO OF CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION TO PROVED RESERVES: END 1979</u>
Indonesia	17
Algeria	19
Nigeria	21
Qatar	21

Venezuela	21
Iraq	27
Libya	31
United Arab Emirates	45
Saudi Arabia	49
Iran	51
Mexico	56
Kuwait	71

Clearly, the countries which have been relatively well explored and whose ratio of current production to proved reserves is in the low twenties or less have ample reason for concern. Indonesia, Algeria, Nigeria, star, and Venezuela all fall in this category, and all of them are anxious to

Stimulate further exploration, although Qatar has limited acreage to offer. But their approach to the problem differs from country to country: Algeria and Indonesia have been signing exploration and production agreements with foreign oil companies; policy in Nigeria appears at present (mid-1980) to be uncertain as reorganization of the country's petroleum administration continues; while Venezuela is attempting to carry out all exploration through its own national company.

In two instances, the above table is misleading. First, it shows Iraq with a rather low ratio of current production to reserves (27), whereas in fact the geological prospects in Iraq are very good, though little data is available on recent discoveries. It is best classified as a country with ample possibilities for expansion. It may be noted that spokesmen for the country have on occasion stated that assistance from industrialized countries in increasing exploration and development (especially of heavy oils) is among their objectives in any future dialogue. The second misleading feature of the table is that Libya is shown with a relatively high ratio of current production to reserves (31) whereas in fact there is serious concern in Libya over depletion, and the country has been signing a limited number of exploration and production agreements with foreign companies. It should be noted that Libya has in the past experienced sustained production levels of well over 3 mm b/d (compared with its present 2 ran b/d), and that overproduction of certain fields was an important factor in determining government policies and attitudes towards the foreign oil companies in the early 1970s.

Taken as a whole, this group of countries has a keen interest in stimulating further exploration; but it must be said that in most cases the acreage is attractive enough to permit them to attract foreign risk capital, if they so wish, on reasonable terms, as is being done in Indonesia, Libya, and Algeria.

The remaining countries, namely the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Mexico, and Kuwait, can all afford to take a more relaxed view about the proving up of further reserves, though here again substantial differences exist within the group as to prospective acreage. The United Arab Emirates and Kuwait have limited possibilities for finding large new oil deposits, and policies are consequently highly conservationist. Saudi Arabia, Iran, and Mexico, on the other hand, still have highly prospective unexplored acreage (this is less true of Iran than the other two countries). Their interest therefore lies more in a slow-to-moderate pace of exploration, a remark which must be qualified by other policy considerations, notably in the case of Iran. In any event, their need for outside assistance is either non-existent in their own opinion (Iran and Mexico) or already proceeding satisfactorily (Saudi Arabia).

Closely linked to the question of depletion, and underlying nearly all policy concerns of OPECs highly dependent on oil, is the transition that all of them must make to a more diversified economy. In some countries, notably Venezuela, the investment of oil revenues in economic diversification has been a constant preoccupation and policy since before World War II. Today, post of the major exerting countries is

vitaly concerned with a diversified economic development which will permit continued overall economic growth, once oil revenues start their ultimately inevitable decline.

The *present* unparalleled prosperity of the principal OXDCS obscures the fact from the rest of the world that, in the long run, the transition from dependence on oil to other sources of energy will ultimately be infinitely more difficult for them than the consumers. It is post unfortunate, though perhaps natural, that as far as any energy dialogue is concerned, the attention of the North has been largely focused on the question of prices rather than the economic *development* objectives of many of the non-OXDCS, a field which would provide much rare ground for future dialogue.

Senior officials of the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and of OPEC itself have repeatedly pointed out that in their *view* the energy problem must be faced in the context of the economic development of the oil-exporting countries. The transition period into *which* the world's energy secondary will soon be entering will take on markedly different proportions in the North. In the countries of the industrial North, the major concern is whether the supply and price of energy will impose a serious constraint on the growth of the economy; but in other scenarios, despite pessimism over the level of unemployment, do not include major political and social upheaval. In the OXDCS, on the other hand, the major concern is not with an eventual slowing down of growth once production starts to shrink, but rather with the effects of a steady decline in the economy and the political and social upheavals that would almost certainly accompany it.

Economic development and industrialization within the life span of existing oil and gas reserves are unimpaired objectives of most of the principal exporting developing countries. But this is not true for three of them (apart from the downward integration into local refining petrochemicals and Leasing), namely Kuwait, United Arab Emirates, and Qatar. All three now appear to have understood the futility of attempting to industrialize arid and sparsely populated areas devoid of suitable infrastructure and far removed from the main industrial markets. After some attempt at industrialization in the 1960s, Kuwait was the first to understand this and make a conscious decision to prepare for transition by a careful program of investment abroad, mainly in the form of indirect investments (though more recently there appears to be increasing emphasis on direct investment). This decision seems to have been taken even before the first large increase of oil prices in 1973-74. In Qatar and the United Arab Emirates, the initial reaction to the increase in prices was, as earlier in Kuwait, to draw up plans for industrialization which included a number of expensive projects not directly related to the oil and gas industries. More recently, however, there has been some disillusionment with this policy, and neither country has within the past year approved any new major industrial project not directly related to oil and gas.

In rather general terms, the implications for supply and price of the depletion and transition problems which will be faced by all OPEC member countries in the medium or long-term reflect somewhat different approaches by different members of OPEC.

Countries already producing close to their physical limits and without great hope of an expanding reserve base in the future, such as Algeria, Indonesia, Libya, Nigeria, as well as all the minor producers, will tend to place increasing emphasis on obtaining the maximum price. Conservation is an important part of overall oil policy, but because they have already attained a certain *level* of spending based on production *levels* close to the maximum, they have limited scope for cutting back.

Venezuela lies in an intermediate position because, while its conventional oil resources place it on a par with countries such as Algeria and Indonesia, it still has vast hydrocarbon resources in the Orinoco petroleum belt to develop. Hence, for Venezuela, the transition is a matter not only of a transition to a diversified economy, but also from

conventional petroleum resources to the heavy oils of the Orinoco, which are capable of supporting production at a level of 2 or 3 million b/d for a period that is indefinite (about three hundred years) for all practical purposes. Hence, a certain ambiguity surrounds

Venezuelan policy towards supply and price, since it sees its relations with important consuming countries, both at the commercial and technical levels, as lasting indefinitely into the future.

At the other end of the spectrum are the countries *which* still have an ample resource base relative to their current and immediately prospective needs--notably Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates. The chief emphasis of petroleum Inlay in these countries is bound to be on conservation, because the accumulation of financial surpluses which must be held outside the country is politically undesirable and, so far, economically unprofitable. Consequently, these countries, like Venezuela, also see themselves in a much longer-term relationship with the major consuming countries, although mislay at the on racial level.

In summary, between the two groups of countries there is therefore a sharp distinction of emphasis between the attitudes towards supply and price, and towards the consumer.

E. The Supply and Price of Oil

There are a number of interrelated factors *which* affect the decisions of OXIAIS with respect to the supply and price of oil. The most important of these is at present the question of conservation, but others include investment policies, the security of financial assets held abroad, and political factors.

i. Conservation policies

The most important factor determining the supply of oil from the principal OXUCs is conservation, meaning in this context a policy of production restraints, designed primarily not to maintain price but to prolong for as long as possible the economic life of the country's petroleum reserves, with due regard to a level of government revenues which permits continued economic growth. This is possibly the most widely misunderstood aspect of oil policies--it being too easily and too commonly assumed by observers in industrial countries that the so-called conservation policies of producing countries are a mere camouflage for price maintenance. Consequently, over the past few years, these observers have found their expectations repeatedly frustrated when surpluses appear on the market without leading to a serious weakening in what *they* suppose to be a conventional cartel seeking to maximize revenue. In practice, several countries have been only too happy to reduce production, and thereby reduce surplus revenues which can neither be spent profitably at home nor invested safely abroad.

Production ceilings in the OPEC area at present (mid 1980) are in aggregate about 6 mm b/d lower than already developed capacity, and probably about 15 con bid below minimum potential capacity.

ii. Investment Policies

To a large extent, policies governing investment in exploration and the development of producing capacity are a facet of conservation policies viewed in the long run. Unimportant in the short-term, they are critical in the medium and long-terms because, if and when conservation policies are relaxed to allow production to catch up with already developed physical capacity, the result of past investment policies will impose a constraint that cannot be overcome except with a considerable *time* lag.

Policies vary from country to country. At one extreme is Kuwait, where there has been no investment in the development of new capacity for some years and only very limited investment in exploration. The present exploration activity is oriented mostly towards the discovery of gas.

The most notable and important example of muted investment policies in the development of new capacity and exploration is, of course, Saudi Arabia where plans originally laid a few years ago by Aramco for the development of capacity up to 20 mm b/d have been successively scaled down. There are, at present (mid-1980), no plans to develop capacity beyond 12 mm b/d by the year 1985. By and large, twelve, other member countries of OPEC and other exporting developing countries are pursuing active exploration policies, some of them indeed quite vigorous. These include, as noted above, Indonesia, Algeria, Libya, Mexico, Venezuela, and probably Iraq, although not much is known about the level of activity in that country. In some of them, vigorous exploration is accompanied by ceilings on present production.

iii. The Security of Financial Assets

Some six OPEC countries (Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, OAE, Qatar, Iraq, and Libya) have been consistently in surplus on current account during the 1970s. The financial assets which they have consequently accumulated abroad could be as much as \$300 billion (net of private and public transfers), rest of it held in dollars and much of it in short-term notes. These funds are vulnerable both to inflation and to political action (i.e., blocking). Since the producing countries with large funds invested abroad are largely confined to Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and the United Arab Emirates, their vulnerability is clearly a matter of limited importance for OPEC as a whole, but it is of major importance to the countries concerned. The issue has attracted a great deal of attention in recent years, because it is clear that, if sufficient guarantees could be given to Saudi Arabia in particular as well as to the other two countries, some of the constraints on production selected in the countries' conservation policies and investment policies would be either entirely removed or greatly attenuated. Hence, some observers have seen the question of financial security for the assets of the producers held overseas as the key to avoiding production restraint in the future.

A number of different schemes have been mooted, most of them centred on the issue of long-term bonds indexed in

such a manner as to compensate for inflation. Some of these proposals have come from the producers themselves, particularly (several years ago) from Iran when the country expected to remain in surplus for some time. More recently, nearly all of the proposals have come from sources in industrial countries. Among the difficulties in establishing such inflation-proofed bonds is the political difficulty to the US necessarily associated with the creation of a special class of investor who would have privileges not extended to others? Conversely, the producing countries feel that such bonds are more easily identified than other financial investments and therefore more politically vulnerable to freezing as well as less mobile in the short-run. These fears may be more theoretical than practical, but they nevertheless exist and color the attitudes of the surplus countries.

There are a number of other obstacles, which vary from country to country, placed in the way of the financial surplus countries and inhibiting their investments abroad. There are, most notably, constraints in several countries, either of a statutory or political nature on the acquisition of assets (especially, the making of direct investments), as well as tax considerations which tend to inhibit the investor. The removal of some of these obstacles would no doubt represent a positive step as far as the capital-surplus countries are concerned and could be an element, though not a major one, in any rapprochement between the oil-exporting countries (or some of them) and the industrial countries of the North, particularly the US.

iv. Political Factors

The Arab-Israeli conflict is, without any doubt, one of the most important of the obstacles in the way of any general agreed solution to the energy problems between the exporting developing countries and the industrial ones. It is rarely discussed openly and candidly; but it should constantly be borne in mind that no permanent solution or

agreement will be possible as far as energy is concerned, until a solution is found to the Palestinian problem which is acceptable to a majority of the petroleum-producing Arab states. The dependence of the West in general and the US in particular on imported oil is seen by the Arab countries as one of the few potent weapons which they can bring to bear in their favour to solve the problem of the Palestinians. It is idle to think that this weapon will be abandoned in order to reach a broad energy agreement on the economic and financial issues involved. Nothing could be *note* unrealistic; and the only apparent point in any "dialogue" or preliminary talks on the economic and financial issues seems to be to prepare the ground for an energy agreement once a broad political settlement can be achieved, if ever, on the Palestinian issue.

F. Factors i) determining Pricing obloquies

The setting of oil prices has, in the past, been largely a *pra-natie* affair, with the exporting countries reacting to market forces which they themselves have in large measure created *through* the enforcement of conservation policies curbing production for reasons other than price support. There are, never, underlying objectives which find general agreement among the exporting countries, despite (or perhaps because of) their vagueness when it comes to concrete detail. Essentially, OPEC pricing policies aim at shifting the price of oil upwards to the cost of alternative sources of energy. Neither the cost nor the supply volumes that such a price would bring out is specified, *although*, again in vague terms, many of the producers tend to think of the cost of alternatives as being represented by gasification of coal in the western US in relatively widest quantities with a number of other alternatives being produced at below this cost, in particular steam coal, nuclear power, shale oil, oil from the tar-sands, LNG from outside the *OPFF* area, possibly some deep gas, and at the margin, some of the exotics such as green petrol.

Of less fundamental importance, there is now firm agreement within OPEC that the price of oil should escalate to keep losses with inflation. Most, or most countries are in agreement that the deflator should be an OECD index of export prices, possibly in combination with an index that gives some measure of the increase in the price of services in OECD countries. There is also general agreement among (WEC countries that the speed at which the price of oil should move up from its present level to the (undefined) cost of alternatives should be *Sri* with the growth of GNP in real terms in the OECD area. The rationale for this linkage is that the growth in GNP is *pith* a measure of ability to pay as well as

an indication of the time span within which the alternatives will be needed. If GNP grows fast, the alternatives will be needed sooner, and the price of oil will have moved up correspondingly quickly.

Opinion is divided on the desirability of establishing price ceilings. Most, though not all, exporting countries feel that a price ceiling is, in principle, desirable, partly to maintain order in the markets, and partly to prevent premature devaluation of alternatives. However, those countries that recognize the desirability in principle of a price ceiling are themselves divided among those that believe a price ceiling can be administered and those that believe it is impractical because it would not be respected for long and that, therefore, any attempt to impose one is futile and divisive.

Finally, it may be remarked that OPEC, at any rate, sees the administration of prices as entirely manageable and a matter which pertains exclusively to the seller at the political (though not commercial) level. It is not a point which is open for negotiation with the industrial countries, except in the case of the rather far-fetched hypothesis that industrial countries would agree to regulate the prices of their own exports of manufactured goods and food to the producing countries.

G. Natural Gas

Of growing importance and concern among the OYOCs is the future development of their natural gas reserves. Among the OYOCs, twelve countries either already possess

or have excellent prospects for natural gas in large exportable surpluses. They are Algeria, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Nigeria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Venezuela, Brunei, and Mexico. The latest published proved reserve figures for natural gas are shown below for the countries mentioned, but there is little doubt that they vastly underestimate the true position of these countries, in particular with respect to the recent discoveries of large gas deposits in Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and Venezuela. In addition, Kuwait is confident that its deep drilling program will encounter large reserves of gas.

TABLE II-9: PROVED NATURAL GAS RESERVES Countries Trillion O bic Ft.

Algeria 132	Indonesia 24	Iran 490	Iraq 28	Kuwait 31	Nigeria 41	Qatar 60	Saudi Arabia 93
OAF 21	Venezuela 43	Brunei 8	Maxi o	59			
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The above countries account for 63% of the world's gas reserves (excluding CPES),							

And their aggregate reserves are equivalent to 170 billion tares of oil, or about twice as much as the combined oil and gas reserves of Canada and the US together. As noted above, they are (with the usable exception of Iran) possibly greatly understated.

Saudi Arabia's gas program will, when completed, utilize virtually all of the associated natural gas produced with its oil. The country is already recovering 300,000 b/d of natural gas liquids, and the stripped gas will be used as fuel for electricity generation, seawater desalination, and feedstock for petrochemicals, as well as reinsertions for pressure maintenance to the maximum extent technically possible. The large discoveries of non-associated gas which have been ripe are not being developed. Saudi Arabia, having accounted for virtually all of its associated gas production and because of its very large liquid hydrocarbon reserves, can afford to take a relaxed view of the development of its non-associated gas resources and does not consider them a problem for the near-term future or an important element in its relations with industrial countries. This is not true of most countries, particularly Algeria, where natural gas reserves are more important than oil and where passive investment has already been made in LNG facilities. For Algeria, the question of natural gas pricing is, at the time of writing (mid-1980), a highly controversial issue and the government's stand on pricing has practically brought gas shipments to the US to a halt and greatly reduced shipments to European destinations. Plans to build a pipeline overland through Tunisia and undersea to Sicily and Italy are well-advanced and may be followed by a pipeline to Spain.

Other exporters of gas include Indonesia, Brunei, Libya, the United Arab Emirates, and Mexico, all of them except Mexico in the form of liquefied natural gas (LNG) and natural gas liquids (NGLs). For the most part, however, these exports are nearly scratching the surface of the various countries' natural gas potentials. As crude oil production reaches a peak in some of them, there will be increasing efforts to mount export-oriented projects. A major problem, of course, is that with gas, unlike oil, the production and liquefaction phases cannot be prudently undertaken and certainly not financed without at the same time making provision for the long-term sale of the gas (a 15-20 year contract seems to be the norm), with provision for the shipping facilities in the form of LNG carriers, reception facilities at the port of unloading, and degasification plants. Shipment of LNG in large quantities to the markets therefore necessarily implies, at the commercial level, agreement on price over the long term, a coordinated investment program encompassing the whole chain of operations from production of gas in the producing country to degasification of LNG in the consuming country and involving the producing government, operating companies, purchasing companies, the government of the importing country, and financial institutions.

In view of the very large reserves of natural gas now being discovered in the oil-producing countries and the much greater difficulties involved in their development for export, it is clear that they must

be a further element in any global energy strategy.

H. Policies Towards Oil-Importing Developing Countries

The policies of OPEC member countries and re other OXDCS towards the OIACS are now acquiring sore sharpness of definition. The recommendations of OPEC's Ministerial Committee on long-Term Strategy were unanimously adopted by the full Conference when it met in Saudi Arabia in May 1980. Briefly, these recommendations envisage the following measures with respect to OIACS:

- a. OIACS are to be guaranteed supply of all their domestic oil needs at no more than official government prices, receiving priority over supply to industrial countries.
- b. For the better off among the OIACS (countries such as Brazil, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, and Hong Kong), bridging loans are to be made available at essentially commercial rates to cover periods of balance-of-payments difficulties caused partly by increases in oil prices.
- c. Soft loans and grants are to be made available to other OIACS to provide financing for the development of indigenous energy sources in the longer-term, as well as broad-based lending on concessional terms for specific projects not necessarily related to energy.

As far as pricing is concerned, OPEC policy has consistently rejected a generalized system of two-tier pricing for the following reasons:

- a. it renders the aid element virtually invisible,
- b. fear of leakage into other markets, and
- c. differential pricing ties the amount of aid to the volume of oil imports, regardless of the country's actual needs. It also gives the impression that high oil prices are chiefly responsible for the economic problems of the OIACS. In fact, OPEC country aid has been extended to a number of countries which are either close to oil self-sufficiency or are themselves net exporters, such as Egypt and Zaire.

Nevertheless, there has been size limited selling of oil on a two-tier price system with concessional prices to developing countries by Iraq and Venezuela. Venezuela's sales have been mainly to the Central American and Caribbean importing countries. Among the recent examples of sales at concessional prices is the agreement between Mexico and Venezuela to set up a system to supply the Central American and Caribbean importing countries with all of their domestic requirements of oil at prices which will, in the final analysis, equate to a discount of 33% on the official government price.

OPEC countries have recently been giving about \$4-5 billion per year in official development assistance to other LDCs through a variety of national and international institutions, including notably the OPEC Fund for International Development.

Table II-10 sets out the OPEC aid record during 1976-1979. The figures shown are net disbursements of concessional aid and exclude financial flows at commercial rates. On average, it amounts to about 2% of aggregate GNP in the OPEC area. Current proposals within OPEC envisage a sharp escalation in the flow of aid to other LDCs, although a specific sum has yet been fixed. Multilateral aid is now running at about \$2.5 billion per year.

An important part of this would be earmarked for the development of energy resources in other LDCs with emphasis on exploration for hydrocarbons. This proposal runs parallel to the proposal put forward by the World Bank for the creation of a separate affiliate, which would be financed largely by industrial countries through the World Bank itself and partly by OPEC

member countries. Its funds would be exclusively voted to the developing of indigenous energy resources in developing countries.

At the time of writing (mid-1980), it is an open question whether the two proposals can be fused, but it is indisputable that this is one area where the interests of industrial countries and OXOCS fully coincide. The industrial countries, by assisting LOOS to develop their indigenous energy resources, will free up oil supplies from the OPEC area and thereby increase import availability as well as reduce

Pressure on price. The OPEC countries similarly have an interest in assisting other LDCS to become as close to energy self-sufficiency as possible, since this would reduce their need for economic aid and would also attenuate the pressure on supplies from OPEC countries that wish to lower production rates in order to conserve.

NET DISBURSMENTS OF OFFICIAL BY OPEC	TABLE DEVEL ASSIST OPMEN ANCE II-10 T				
	COUNT RIES	1976	1977	1978	1979
TOTAL Bilateral and	5,586.8	(US\$ million)	4,708.2		
Multilateral		5,846.8	4,344.0		
Bilateral Aid in:	4,532.8	3,887.5	2,970.4	3,519.7	
Elubpe	14.9	5.0			
Latin America	9.6	-	n.a.	n.a.	
Africa	1,535.7	1,428.3	n.a.	n.a.	
Middle East	1,337.4	1,253.3	n.a.	n.a.	
Other Asia	1,464.8	510.7	n.a.	n.a.	
Others	170.4	690.2	n.a.	n.a.	
Multilateral Aid through:	1,054.0	1,959.3	1,373.6	1,188.5	
Non-OPFL Agencies & Funds	222.8	214.9	n.a.	n.a.	
Arab/OPEC Agencies & Funds	831.2	1,744.4	n.a.	n.a.	

I. Conditions for New Dialogue Between Producers and North

From the outset, producing countries have insisted that any discussion of energy with the industrial countries should be linked to discussion of other problems of developing countries and issues between North and South. Thus, to quote again from the Algiers Declaration,

The Sovereigns and Heads of State declare that, parallel with and as a counterpart to the efforts, guarantees and commitments which the OPEE Member Countries are prepared to

make, the developed countries must contribute to the progress and development of the developing countries through concrete action and, in particular, to achieve economic and monetary stability, giving due regard to the interests of the developing countries.

In this context, they emphasize the necessity for the full implementation of the program of action adopted by the United Nations General Assembly at its Sixth Special Session.

In discussing the conditions for an international conference in which energy would be discussed, the Algiers Declaration stated that:

The agenda of the aforementioned Conference can in no case be confined to an examination of the question of energy. It evidently includes the questions of raw materials of the developing countries, the reform of the international monetary system, and international cooperation in favor of development in order to achieve world stability.

The reference was, of course, to the conference which became known as the Conference on International Economic Cooperation or the North-South Dialogue of Paris. The question of linkage touches upon a whole series of issues between North and South, chief among them being commodity price stabilization, aid commitments by developed countries, implementation of an effective food program, the transfer of technology, access to industrialized countries' markets for the manufactures of developing countries, protection against the depreciation of financial assets held by OPEC countries in the industrialized ones, the security of those financial assets, and the reform of the international monetary system.

It was evidently unrealistic to hope to ram through reforms on all these issues on the back of the relatively limited "guarantees and commitments which the OPEC Member Countries are prepared to make." The CIEC Conference ended in failure, although participants claimed to have made progress in the sense of gaining deeper insight into each other's points of view. Nevertheless, OPEC's position has hardened in the ensuing years, partly because the industrial countries appeared to have made a reasonably comfortable adjustment to the higher level of prices of 1973-74; partly because the problem of recycling funds was overcome without major difficulties; and partly because they saw little possibility of any major concession being made on the part of the industrial countries who believed that competition and inflation would erode the price of oil over a period of time. In addition, the absorptive capacity of OPEC Member Countries themselves proved greater than anyone anticipated. Hence that had seemed to be problems requiring an urgent solution turned out to be manageable. OPEC discovered that it had less leverage than it had believed, but also that the industrial North was much more capable of absorbing large price increases than had been thought.

The second price explosion of 1979-80 has not caused anywhere near the same degree of alarm as felt in 1973-74, although in absolute terms the increase has been greater and the difficulties of recycling may not prove to be so easily managed.

J. The Allocation of Supplies

In an increasingly tight market, which is the situation generally anticipated for the mid to late 1980s, it seems quite possible that OPEC may feel constrained to allocate supplies of crude oil internationally if the pricing mechanism does not by itself clear the market. One of the reasons why there should be doubt about the ability of the pricing Mechanism to function is the lack of easily substitutable supplies for crude oil and an absolute need for oil if economic growth is to continue. In some extent, the doubt stems from the situation engendered in 1979 at the height of the Iranian supply crisis when most of the industrial nations were fully supplied with crude, mainly at contract or official government prices, while some developing countries had difficulty obtaining sufficient crude supplies or could only obtain sufficient supplies at the spot market price which was well above official government prices (at times, about twice as high as the Saudi Arabian official government price).

It now appears that OPEC member countries may be embarking on an embryonic system

of supply allocation. As part of its long-term strategy, OPEC has, as mentioned above, agreed that supplies to developing countries at the official government price should be guaranteed by the organization, and that a mechanism should be established in order to implement this recommendation. Thus, supplies to LDCS would take priority over supplies to industrial countries in times of shortage. This means, of course, that any shortfall would have to be administered by reducing the amounts of oil available to one or more industrial countries, presumably through a central coordinating office. As far as is known, no steps have yet been taken to establish such a mechanism. But if the guarantee is to work, then no such body would have to be in place, before any supply crisis were to arise again or ad hoc measures were hastily worked out.

Along the same lines, the Venezuelan/Mexican agreement (also referred to above) allocates supplies at a certain price to countries of Central America and the Caribbean. The allocation covers domestic requirements of petroleum only and does not include oil required for processing and re-export, nor for international bunkers at certain points such as the Panama Canal. However, it does involve establishing what domestic requirements are, and this means that some kind of coordinating body must be created to work out the mechanics of the system.

Obviously, allocation of supplies in favor of a given set of consumers is not likely to raise vigorous protest from them, although there is probably room for dispute on the part of those who believe they should receive more. Allocation away from another set of consumers is, however, a different matter. As far as is known, there has as yet been no protest, formal or informal, on the part of industrial countries with respect to the implications of allocation in favor of the LOCs at their expense. Presumably such protests will not be long in coming, if and then the threat of an allocation system appears more imminent and more real than at present, because it is a letter which could be interpreted as affecting national security in the consuming countries. If there is general acceptance among industrialized countries that the aggregate global supply cannot be rapidly expanded, then it would seem that there might be room for exporters and

importers to discuss the mechanics of supply allocation, at least on an ad hoc basis and for a limited period of time. Some thought should be devoted to tackling this problem before it is too late for anything to be done about it. It scarcely needs saying that, should producer-exporters resort to a supply allocation scheme on a global basis, the scope for serious conflict with the industrial importing countries is almost without limit.

3. INDUSTRIALISED COUNTRIES

A. Introduction

The strong economic growth of the industrialized countries during the 1950s and 1960s was fuelled by cheap abundant energy. Iritic coal production gave way to low-cost oil, either domestic as in North America or imported as in Western Europe and Japan. Oil production in developed and developing countries and its pricing, shipment, refining, and marketing were controlled by international oil companies which were typically US, British, Dutch, and French. The growth in the international trade and consumption of oil continued at a rapid pace during the two decades. Reliable access to cheap imported oil was scarcely doubted.

This complacency was upset in the 1970s. Industrialized countries now face an era of high-cost oil, whether domestic, as in the North Sea and the frontier and heavy oils of North America, or imported. Production pricing and increasingly destination of oil exports from IOCs are now controlled by their own national oil corporations. These countries seek further control over downstream operations at home and abroad. Meanwhile the major oil companies have lost their dominance in the international market and their role as wholesalers to third parties. They are joined in the market by an array of other purchasers, including refiners, traders, and national oil companies of

industrialized countries. The growth in international oil trade has virtually disappeared. So has reliable long-term access to imported oil.

From the viewpoint of industrialized countries, the decade of the 1980s remains fragile. These countries are faced with essentially three dangers: short-term oil supply disruptions; continued medium-term reliance on oil imports;

And long-term depletion of world oil supplies entailing a delicate if engagement of the transition to new energy sources. The dangers are evident.

Faced with such concerns, the industrialized countries are forced to take into consideration the strategic nature of oil in their economies. Today there is an overriding concern expressed by all the industrialized countries for secure and assured supplies of oil at what they see as reasonable prices. This is part of the current concern over high inflation and unemployment: stagflation. The energy problem, while not the sole cause, is a key component especially with such large outward flows of annuities to pay for oil imports.

Conservation and accelerated development of new and renewable energy sources are cures for the long-term transition. In the short-term the industrialized countries are faced with the need to deal with potential crises before the transition can take place. For oil, such efforts include demand restraint, emergency sharing arrangements, stockpiling, and import target ceilings. In times of more acute crises, there have also been favorable responses from the OPECs, in the form of short-term production increases.

B. Energy Diversity of the Industrialized Countries

Part and parcel of the concerns of industrialized countries is that they have diverse interests. Their energy supplies may range in source from complete self-sufficiency to utter dependence on imports. These differing degrees of import dependence are true not only for oil but also for other energy forms. This diversity itself can create strains and even divisiveness among industrialized countries themselves.

The United States has a fundamental concern with world strategic relations, above all with the Soviet Union. It is a nation rich in natural resources and yet woefully dependent on imported oil since the 1970s. Its imports represent about one-quarter of international oil trade. This dependence is evidently detrimental to its economic and strategic strength. It has a vital interest in the stability of the Middle East, where it has the dilemma of supporting different foreign policies and economic aims: containment of Soviet designs, support for Israel, and secure long-term access to oil supplies. High-cost oil imports hurt its international financial balance, except to the extent that it can entice back petrodollars at attractive (high) interest rates and can export economic and military goods and services. Oil imports also weaken the US's political and strategic freedom to maneuver. A creative US energy policy is a top priority concern for all industrialized countries. A solution can only be achieved through the obvious two-pronged policy of improved conservation and accelerated development of energy resources.

Both Canada and Australia are rich in natural resources. Both are federated states where ownership of natural resources is an issue between the federal Government and the provinces or states, and this has far-reaching implications for the formation of energy policies.

Canada is energy self-sufficient though it has become a net oil importer. Its production of conventional light and medium Western crude oils is perceived to have reached a plateau, and medium-term prospects are for increasing net oil imports. However, the longer-

term prospects for oil are good, as production from frontier offshore oil, heavy oil, and synthetic oil from tar-sands looks very promising. Moreover, the potential for other energy resources is large, particularly gas as well as coal, hydro, and uranium.

Australia is sitting on a power-house of coal and could become a very large exporter; it is rich in natural gas; and it produces about 70% of its oil consumption. On reliance it is a substantial net energy exporter.

New Zealand has a relatively small economy, and its energy strength lies in hydroelectricity, gas, and condensate. It imports most of its oil but is making efforts to reduce this dependency.

South Africa's energy strength lies in coal, and it looks likely to become a large exporter. It has restrained its demand for oil imports for strategic reasons and relies heavily on synthetic oil from coal.

At the other end of the scale is Japan which has very small known domestic energy resources. So it is the world's second largest importer of oil and also a large importer of coal and gas. It is accelerating efforts to find indigenous offshore hydrocarbon resources, but a major concern is the issue of jurisdiction over such resources with neighboring countries. It has pursued an active nuclear power program, but that is way behind official plans. Present prospects are that Japan is likely to remain dependent on large oil imports, which it will have to finance through its strong export sector. With the demise of the third party oil market, Japan has perforce reshaped its oil import conduit in 1979 from reliance on spot oil companies to Japanese trading companies. Japan meanwhile has entered into the high-priced spot oil market. To alleviate its worst anxieties about its dependence on oil in an uncertain future, Japan has adopted policies of building significant oil stocks.

To diminish its energy dependence on a relatively few Middle Eastern countries, Japan is pursuing enclaves of diversifying its oil import sources (i.e., Indonesia and PR China) and substituting imports of other energy forms from a range of countries. It has created the Japan National Oil Corporation (JNE) to strengthen oil and gas exploration efforts abroad and has encouraged private Japanese interests to do likewise.

Countries within Western Europe are not Endogenous in economic, social, or cultural structure. Some countries such as FR Germany, Sweden, and Switzerland have high per capita income, and others such as Turkey and Yugoslavia have much lower ones and for some purposes are grouped with the developing countries. Economic wealth is also concentrated. Just four countries (France, FR Germany, Italy, and the United Kingdom) account for two-thirds of GNP in Western Europe and indeed 28% of that in all OEC7 countries.

From an energy viewpoint there is an utter diversity of sufficiency in energy resources within Western Europe. Seven countries are highly import-dependent, importing over three-quarters of their energy supplies: Belgium, Denmark, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, and Portugal. Another eight import more than half their supplies: they include the two large economies France and FR Germany as well as Austria, Spain, Turkey, and the hydro countries Finland, Sweden, and Switzerland. This group includes some of the strongest economies and one of the weakest (*Turkey*). There are just two more countries which import more than one-quarter of their supplies: Iceland (strong in domestic hydro and geothermal energy) and Yugoslavia (strong in domestic lignite, hydro, and some oil and gas). There are also significant differences in capital stock and energy end-use between these countries. Nevertheless, Western European countries have banded together politically, economically, and for defence through a number of international organisations.

One Western European country imports less than one quarter of its total requirements: the United Kingdom, which is self-sufficient in energy other than hydrocarbons and is heading rapidly for self-sufficiency in oil and gas (though it imports North Sea gas from Norway). Finally two countries are net energy exporters: Netherlands and above all Norway. Both

show concern to extend the life of their hydrocarbon reserves. The Dutch gas fields are retiring and could decline in output, and exports are being phased out. Rotterdam is also the Euro port and key port of entry to the energy infrastructure of Europe. Norway has just opened offshore areas north of 62° for exploration; this is an untouched, technologically difficult frontier region of unknown prospects, for which fingers are crossed in hope.

All Western European countries have a fundamental interest in reducing their vulnerability to supply disruptions. They are seeking ways of reducing their dependence through increased energy conservation and production. Britain and Norway are now consolidating their successes in finding and developing oil and gas in the North Sea. European efforts are now gearing up for offshore exploration in frontier areas such as north of 62°, west of the Shetland Islands, and the Western approaches, and are continuing in the Mediterranean Sea. On shore prospects do not look likely to yield significant bonanzas. All new fields reduce import dependence for the successful nations, but this leaves open the policy issue of how far these successes directly benefit other Western European countries in terms of secure long-term access. There has been great debate how far North Sea oil policies should be determined on national or regional criteria.

Meanwhile, West European countries are seeking to develop other energy sources. But there are serious constraints of a political, social, and environmental nature to accelerated development of conventional energy sources. It is not easy to reverse decisions of the 1960s and reopen or start new coalmines in countries which have dismantled their coal industry. There are physical and environmental barriers to further substitution expansion of new hydro sites. Some governments have pursued the nuclear power option but are encountering much public opposition.

C. Institutional Efforts to Coordinate Industrialized Countries' Energy policies

i. OECD

Industrialized countries quite early on made an effort to deal in a concerted manner with energy policy. Shortly after World War II, the OEEC (OECD's predecessor) set up a system of emergency-sharing for coal allocation. Efforts were also used within OECD prior to 1973 to set up a system for emergency oil allocation and energy policy coordination.

ii. EEC

The EEC's first organization was the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC), and since the ECSC's inception the EEC has worked towards a common energy policy. The European Commission, however, does not seek to have everything in the energy sector regulated on a centralized Swiss at the ~immunity level. The largest part of the Community's energy strategy can only take place on a national level. Thus the Commission aims at coordinating and supplementing efforts of national governments with Community-wide measures

iii. IEA

The Arab oil embargo and the jump in international oil prices in 1973-74 led to the Washington energy Conference in February 1974, and the creation in November 1974 of the International Energy Agency (IEA). This is an autonomous body within the OECD, established to implement the International Energy Program. Its membership has risen and now comprises 21 out of the 24 OECD members.¹ IEA countries account for Some 93% of developed countries' energy consumption and 60% of the world's consumption. The IEA has the roles of i) promoting energy conservation and the enhanced development of secure energy supplies and ii) ensuring the adequate distribution of oil supplies in an emergency.

Basic elements of LEA members' cooperation on an International Energy Program include:

- a. cooperation to reduce excessive dependence on oil through energy conservation, development of alternative energy sources, and energy I&D;
- b. an information system on the international oil market and consultation with oil companies;
- c. cooperation with oil-producing and other oil-consuming countries, with a view to developing a stable international energy trade as well as rational management and use of world energy resources in the interests of all countries; and
- d. a plan to prepare against risk of major disruption of oil supplies and to share available oil in event of emergency.

It has established a useful oil market information scheme and over 40 cooperative RD&D projects covering conservation, coal technology, nuclear and fusion power, hydrogen production, and renewable energy sources (including solar, geothermal, biomass, ocean, and wind).

IEA also functions as a consultative organ with a clear mandate on substantive energy issues. Such work has led to a process of understanding and cooperation on an area of* Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, FR Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom, and the United States. The other three OECD countries are Finland, France, and Iceland, while Yugoslavia has associate status.

Concern to industrialized countries. It is a process by which countries can bring public pressure to bear on each other on energy policy, following guidelines outlined in treaty obligations. While France is not a member of IEA, it receives its information and has an input by way of the EEC and OECD.

D. The Second Oil Shock, 1979-80

After the first shock of international oil price increases of 1973-74, most industrialized countries were lulled into complacency by the subsequent erosion in real oil prices and more comfortable oil market to 1978. It took the second oil shock of 1979-80 to awaken the consciousness of decision-makers in these countries to the pressing nature of energy-related issues, particularly oil.

It is true that governments of these countries as a whole were in general agreement in the mid-1970s on the likelihood of ever-increasing difficulties in obtaining energy supplies from the mid-1980s onwards. This was reflected in the IEA Governing Board's communiqué in October 1977: the world, it said, is confronted with the serious risk that in the 1980s it will not have enough oil or other energy available "at reasonable prices" unless present energy policies are strengthened. Such dangers, it felt, could lead to severe world economic, social, and political repercussions. It said that member countries must help reduce this risk by strong and sustained policy to make effective use of energy resources, while emphasizing less delectable energy sources; that member countries should act promptly on energy policies; and that their policy response should be concerted. At that 1977 meeting, the Governing Board first introduced a target ceiling on IEA oil imports. Import ceilings were also set up within the EEC.

But the international oil market turned slack in 1978. The expressions of concern for the energy future by industrialized countries' governments in 1977 gave way to a sense of relief.

In contrast to this slackening, the supply and demand balance in early 1979 was precarious. The Iranian oil disruption broke up the complacency of industrialized countries and heralded

the arrival of the supply constraints of the 1980s.

It brought home the message to industrialized countries of their alarming dependence on increasingly uncertain oil supplies. It highlighted the difference between a crisis of supply and one of rapid real price increases.

In 1979 other (ZDGS increased output towards capacity to help ease the crisis. Meanwhile, oil consumption and stockbuilding in industrialized countries grew apace. That spring IEA countries agreed to reduce demand on world markets by 5% from anticipated "pre-Iran" levels. This action was matched by similar agreement by EEC countries (i.e., including France). At the Tokyo summit of the Seven and the EEC summit in June 1979, the participating countries reaffirmed these actions by agreeing i) to oil import targets for individual countries, and ii) to discourage trading on the oil spot market which was overheating.

Both IEA countries and the Seven summit countries also agreed to a set of principles on energy pricing, conservation, development of coal trade, expansion of nuclear capacity, RD&D, and the development of alternative sources of energy. IEA countries agreed to a yearly review of their progress in achieving long-term aims and commitments

Despite all these measures aimed at concerted action, there was strong competition for oil. International oil prices surged during 1979, pushed upwards by both the momentum and uncertainty of the Iranian situation and by panic buying. Oil companies and traders bought heavily on the spot market at prices approaching \$40 per barrel (i.e., several dollars above official export prices) in an effort to replace oil previously available through traditional supply [channels](#). [FR](#) Germany, Japan, and Switzerland were able to buy oil with their strong currencies. Transactions at spot price grew rapidly to become 25-30% of international oil trade, as opposed to the 3-5% previously characteristic of the spot market. Meanwhile, the differentiation between long-term and spot deals became increasingly blurred in oil supply contracts.

The US imposed a \$5 entitlement program in May 1979 to entice [in.c.k](#) Caribbean oil which they believed was being diverted from them to the more profitable Rotterdam market.

Competition thus led to a doubling of oil prices during 1979. This contributed to lower economic growth and higher inflation and unemployment, while it added no new oil to the market. It only highlighted the weaknesses of the industrialized countries to deal with rapid real price increases, for which no policy or emergency mechanism existed.¹

E. Impact of Oil Price Increases on Industrialized Countries' Economies, 1979-80

The rise in international oil prices during 1979-80 contributed adversely to the overall level of prices, balance-payments, and economic activity in the industrialized (and other oil-importing) countries. The OECD ministerial communiqué of June 1980 suggested the likelihood that by end-1981 "the direct and indirect effects of the oil price rise will be to pull real income in the OECD area down \$400 billion, more than 5%, below what it would otherwise have been. They will also push inflation up by several percentage points and swing the balance of-payments to a deficit of about \$75 billion in 1980 compared to a \$10 billion surplus in 1978. For the developing countries, added to the depressing effects of the oil price increase, there will be the impact of the slowdown in the OECD economies which constitute their principal markets."g

i. Inflation

Taking into account price increases of oil produced outside the OXDCs, the IMF estimates that the direct impact on the general level of prices in oil-importing countries from 1978 to 1980 might be about 43%.^h This pass-through could take about a year to be completed. In addition, there are indirect (secondary) effects of the oil price increases. These include (a) price increases which result from higher wage demands subsequent to higher retail oil prices and (b) price decreases for non-oil goods which may possibly result from lower economic activity induced by the oil price increases. Moreover, prices of energy products other than oil have typically risen parallel to those of oil.

Hence, the total impact on the overall level of prices is considerably greater than the direct impact of oil import prices themselves. Inflation in oil-importing countries is passed on in prices of exports of goods and services to developing countries including OXDCs. Inflation in industrialized countries hurts everyone; this pleases no one and creates conflict in North-South trade.

At the OECD ministerial meeting in June 1980, it was noted that priority will be given to containing the current surge of inflation "which has resulted mainly from the external shock of higher oil prices." It would be a serious error to relax tight monetary and fiscal policies until the current surge in inflation has demonstrably been brought under control and the consequences of higher oil prices are fully absorbed.

At that meeting the OECD Secretary-General stated that "the policies we shall have to follow to cope with our inflation and energy problems are bound to make life very difficult for the developing countries.... We must be concerned lest the required adjustments tax the fragile economic, social, and political systems of these countries beyond the breaking point. Paradoxically, action to mitigate the impact of slowed OECD growth on developing countries is no more difficult, in the current circumstances, but it is *very* much in our own economic--and wider political--interests to do all we can to lighten the load on the developing countries." The immediate policy priorities are clear, he continued:

- We must keep our markets open. We must be ready if need be to strengthen the financial system to cope with the expanded financing needs of the developing countries.
- We must increase our aid, particularly to the poorer developing countries.

ii. Reduced Economic Growth

The rise in oil prices from 1978 to 1980 has raised the export earnings of OPEC countries by about US \$170 billion. Of that amount, the IMF estimates that the industrialized countries would absorb something like \$155 billion." This diversion of industrialized countries' purchasing power into oil imports will be deflationary on their real economic activity. As a rough guide to the size of the direct deflationary impact, the increase in their current

Account deficits (goods, services, and private transfers) during this period will total about \$80-85 billion. To this should be added the short-term deflationary effect of domestic oil price increases. Together, they are estimated by the IMF to represent a direct impact of about 2% of GMⁱ in oil-importing countries. In addition, there are short-run multiplier effects of a deflationary nature. However, for some countries this estimate may be too high, to the extent that they use funds recycled by OXDCs to international markets.

Globally the oil-importers' deficits are the counterpart of the surpluses of the capital-surplus oil-

exporters. Although each oil-importing country has powerful reasons for wanting to extend exports and restrain imports, they cannot all succeed simultaneously while the oil surpluses persist. The attempt to do so through uncoordinated deflationary Policies will slow world economic growth even more. Because of their weight in the world economy, the World Bank advocates that industrialized countries should maintain growth to the extent that this is compatible with addressing problems of inflation, recognizing that this involves large deficits.'

There is a great disproportion between different groups of countries, in as much as industrialized countries have great ability to consume oil, while not all OXixs have the ability to buy a balancing value of goods and services. The additional flow of saving to the OXBOs that cannot be used domestically in the immediate future must be recycled efficiently, was to offset the decrease in saving and to sustain investment in the rest of the world. The net short-run impact will be deflationary for the world as a whole and more so for the oil-importing countries. In the longer-run, adjustment of investment spending will occur, and exports of goods and services to OXalis will take place. Both effects will reduce the initial deflationary effect of the oil price increases.

Oil-importing countries must tackle problems of adjustment among themselves, caused by their differing dependence on oil imports and their differing ability to attract foreign capital. Adjustment to oil price increases worsens the tendency to stagflation in industrialised countries. Workers resist a reduction in real income by demanding inflationary wage increases. Government attempts to moderate inflation through monetary restraint may lead to recession, as real interest rates are forced up and investment falls.

Global economic adjustment in the 1980s is generally expected to prove more difficult than during 1974-78. First, as noted by the World Bank, capital surpluses of OX (Z's) could stay at a high level for longer than in 1974-78, because a) OXixs may pursue more conservative development programs and hence expand imports less rapidly than previously and b) the real price of oil is widely thought likely to rise. Second, the prospects for capital flows are less favorable. Third, the industrialized countries face more serious difficulties than during the mid-1970s. No quick economic recovery can be expected. Governments have decided that inflation must be brought down before rapid growth may be resumed, and that deflationary measures must be pursued. Productivity has slowed sharply for reasons including incomplete adjustment to higher energy costs, sluggish investment, and a mismatch of skills in the labour market, which cannot be rectified easily.

iii. Current Account Deficits

A sustained recovery of the world economy from the slowdown expected during the next few years will in the World Bank's view depend largely on policies pursued in three areas of international concern: energy, trade, and capital flows. It notes that all economies will have to adapt to higher energy prices. The long-term outlook is uncertain, but a prudent energy policy should assume that real energy prices will rise for the foreseeable future. What happens to prices will be determined by trends in energy conservation and production. It also contemplates that most industrialized countries will run current account deficits in 1980. How they respond to these deficits will largely determine the climate for world trade. If they all simultaneously attempt to restrain imports while boosting exports, shrinking markets for each others' exports will defeat their purpose, and world trade and output will suffer, as happened in acute form in the 1930s. Avoiding an excessive slowdown in world trade and output in the early 1980s requires that industrialized countries run larger deficits, and for longer.

OECD ministers agreed in June 1980 that "member countries, as a group, will have to accept a large but diminishing current account deficit, corresponding to their share of the counterpart of the OPEC surpluses, for some time to come. All countries will have to pursue policies designed to reduce inflation and to promote structural adaptation to higher energy prices. Those countries which have no difficulty in external financing

should refrain from taking policy measures specifically aimed at reducing current account deficits."

The present size of current account balances and the prospect for their continuation raises important issues for global financing. In the IMF's view, the main financial problem could be the recycling of funds from the major financial markets to the smaller industrial countries as well as OICs. *Much* of this recycling has been done through medium-term loans by commercial banks. This worked well in the past but could be constrained in the future. While the current account balances of major industrial countries *may* not be a source of concern for recycling, the smaller industrial countries may need to make a prompt start to a medium-term adjustment of their economic structure, in order to finance their current account deficits. Industrialized countries have a large combined deficit which is expected to remain large for a number of years. Attempts by any one country to cut its deficit can only increase the deficit of other countries.

F. Recent Energy Strategies of Industrialized Countries

In May 1980 (EEC's European Council) passed a resolution on Energy Objectives for 1990, while in June 1980 first the OECD ministerial meeting and then the Seven agreed on more comparable energy policy objectives. The comparability is not surprising, given that four of the Seven are EEC members and, except for France, all are IEA members. Moreover, all EEC and IEA countries are members of OECD.

i. Energy Pricing Policies

Raving said that "the oil price increases in 1979-80 are severely damaging the world economy" and stressed "the serious damage that could be done by further large and sudden oil price increases," the OECD meeting in June 1980 and the

preceding meetings of the EEC and IEA stressed reliance on the price mechanism. The EEC said that consumer energy prices should "reflect" the world market, taking account of longer-term trends, and that one determinant should be the cost of replacing and developing energy resources. The Seven stated that domestic prices for oil should "take into account" representative world prices.

Energy pricing policies in industrialized countries are complex problems. Oil-importing industrialized countries are almost all pledged to using the price mechanism as part of their energy policies. But such a tool, as with taxes, tariffs, and quotas, is linked to a range of domestic policies. At least one Western government has fallen due to this issue. Indeed, some believe that taxes and use of the price mechanism are detrimental to the fight against inflation. Yet there can be little doubt that energy prices which reflect the long-run replacement costs of oil would be extremely useful in solving the energy problem.**ii. Official Stockpiling**

Industrialized countries have stockpiled crude oil and products, often as part of treaty obligations which set legal minima. Official stocks are *seen* as a buffer from crisis. But, as noted earlier, rapid stock build can help force up prices. Indeed it may lead to undue confrontation when *seen* as a political lever. Given the strategic nature of such stocks, *they* would presumably be rarely run-down. The stock build places an upward pressure on the market, however inevitable it may be. Panic buying *by* oil importers can hit international trade in time of crisis. Equally severe are the similar pressures on oil supplies from consumer stockbuilding, such as the towing up of gas tanks.

Concerted and constructive stock management policies are central to both good crisis management and good relations with ORBCS. For example, IEA and EEC governments in December 1960 advocated that oil supply deficiencies resulting from the Iran-Iraq conflict should be met by drawing down stocks rather than buying in an overheated spot market.

It should be added that stocks may not solve the further problem of product imbalances. This occurs *when*

refiners lack flexibility to procure their desired slate of crude oils, whose yield would match the market pattern for refined products. This leads to gluts of some products and deficits of others, with consequent storage problems.

iii. Emergency Oil-Sharing Arrangements

Stocks form part of mechanisms under the auspices of the OECD, EEC, and SEA for the emergency allocation of oil. The TEA mechanism, for example, provides for triggering the allocation of oil on the basis of consumption patterns, drastic production, and other factors, if supply should fall below 7% of a set norm. Demand restraint and stock drawdown are elements in the allocation system. Such an allocation would be quite serious in terms of both cause and effect.

The 1979 oil disruption indicated the need for measures to be worked out for shortfalls less than the 7% level. The EEC terms such a state of affairs a sub-crisis. Like the LEA, it has begun to outline both voluntary and mandatory allocation measures for such sub-crisis. In May 1980, the TEA set up yardsticks and ceilings both to manage structural change to new energy sources and to deal at short notice with a deterioration in the oil market, i.e., sub crises of supply. Such reassures are designed to permit monitoring and quick action.

iv. Oil Import Ceilings

Some constructive steps were taken by the IEA Governing Board in December 1979, which agreed to establish specific oil import targets for individual countries for 1980, tightened import goals for 1985, and agreed to rigorous monitoring. It also agreed to develop an equitable system of adjustment of targets if the oil market tightens up, and to continue coordinating their stockbuilding programs to avoid putting undue pressure on world oil supplies.

The LEA and EEC agreed secretly to examine possible means for bringing fore stability into oil markets, including a registration system for all international oil traders and a code of conduct for behavior in oil trading, which would be enacted in times of erratic oil target behavior.

The LEA countries' overall ceiling was set for 1980 at 24.5 con b/d (or 23.1 nm b/d excluding bunkers) and for 1985 at 26.2 con b/d (or 24.6 nm b/d excluding bunkers), compared with estimated imports of 24.0 con b/d in 1979. The target for 1980 was easily met, given the decline in oil consumption. The target for 1985 looks achievable, provided that oil

consumption in flavor industrialized countries continues the decline of 1979-80. But the target is also too high, as future oil import availability to industrialized countries could be reduced by import demands of OICDS and Eastern Europe and by possible export policies of (ZWs.

At the IEA ministerial meeting in May 1980, members saw potential for substantially under-shooting the 1985 target, by 4 con b/d in the Secretariat's view, a view noted in June 1980 at the Venice summit meeting of the Seven. Members agreed to continue efforts to reduce oil imports beyond 1985.

v. Increased Energy Efficiency and Accelerated Non-oil Supplies

In mid-1980, the EEC and the Seven separately agreed on the need for improved energy conservation and accelerated supply and the use of energy other than oil. The Seven estimated their potential at 15-20 con b/d i.e. during the decade.

Both EEC and the Seven expected that oil would be reduced by 1990 to 40% of total primary energy consumption. The Seven expected that their collective oil consumption would be significantly below present levels so as to permit a balance between supply and demand at tolerable prices. They also envisaged that the energy coefficient could be reduced by 1990 to 0.6, while the EEC's guideline is 0.7 or less; the difference may reflect the greater momentum for energy saving in North America.

Coal has become a great expectation as a substitute for oil. The IEA in May 1979 followed up its 1978 report on Steam Coal: prospects to 2000 by establishing its Principles for Action on Coal and setting up the Coal Industry Advisory Board, thus beginning efforts to strengthen coal trade and production. These efforts were subsequently endorsed at the Tokyo summit of the Seven in June 1979. In early 1980 the World Coal Study (WONL) was published, which advocated

Increases over the next 20 years in world hard coal production of 2.5-3 times and in steam coal trade of 10-15 times 1979 levels. More ambitiously, the Venice summit of the Seven expressed the intention of doubling their coal production and use by 1990, and the IEA ministerial meeting of May 1980 sought recommendations for a similar doubling.

The replacement of oil by coal to any degree requires increased expenditures for infrastructure and coal burning facilities. Industrialised countries envisage the need for the US, Australia, and Canada to build up export capability, while Western Europe and Japan would conversely build up import capability. There are serious constraints to the development of coal (see Chapter I). They include the lack of consensus on environmental issues, for example air pollution and the accumulation of CO₂ emissions in the atmosphere. It is conceivable that these constraints could rival those for nuclear energy. Despite these constraints, there is likely to be a substantial increase in coal demand and output.

The leaders of the major industrialised countries have supported nuclear energy, as stated at the Venice Summit. Indeed, French energy policy has emphasised nuclear energy as the major thrust of its effort. But the industrialised countries' aspirations have encountered a whole range of serious difficulties, and there has been no slackening of resistance to this form of energy (see Chapter I). For example, even the partial victory of the "yes" side in the March 1980 Swedish referendum has not ended opposition there and only indicated a desire to see nuclear energy be phased out.

Vi. Structural Readjustment

The future economic success of industrialized countries depends largely on how well they manage the energy problem. They are increasingly vulnerable to uncertain supplies of energy. Illustrations are the recent accident at Three Mile Island, the New York blackout, the 1979 Iranian oil disruption, and the 1980 Iran-Iraq conflict. The challenge for the 1980s will be to find effective strategies for dealing with an oil balance, in which exports from OPEC countries are at best expected to remain constant or could even decline, assuming that the

present structure is here to stay. The real

Issue at stake for industrialized nations is how they avoid destructive competition in the face of a tightening oil market. They have needed to develop plans for equitable burden sharing.

Energy is a ubiquitous factor in the modern economy. This produces problems for the industrialised countries, because energy has for so long been taken for granted as being in sufficient abundance to limit growth. Now it must be seen as a constraint, at least for the medium-term. Such an energy-related upheaval has not taken place since the wood shortages of the seventeenth century in Europe etc. Great difficulties remain in convincing large segments of the population that the crisis is real. Successful conservation depends on such a realisation. In a sense, there is need to show that quality of life and reasonable expectations can still be met in a conservation-oriented world. However, there must be a change in core values. The structural change needed in the industrialised countries is very deep. But these changes are being made.

Policy solutions in most industrialised countries are therefore turning to increased energy efficiency and to the long-term possibilities for new and renewable energy forms to the extent practicable. Countries face three severe political problems in the energy field.

The first is due to the inevitability of elections and resultant promises. The tendency is to attempt to find short-term solutions for long-term problems, in short, palliatives.

The second is the ability of interest groups to receive a hearing, which is a fundamental right in democracies. This creates a political context for energy policy in which various interests tattle on energy issues. The validity of any particular interest group may or may not be correct, but such activity does complicate the process of energy decision-making.

The third and perhaps most crucial is the difficulty in improving people's understanding of energy-related issues and the need for better practices in energy use (see Chapter 11.1.B).

Countries with sizeable dependence on energy imports will be concerned to have good relations with exporters, in order to keep continued and uninterrupted long-term access to imported energy at prices they consider reasonable and predictable. Industrialised countries are likely to pursue increasing diversity of energy import sources. They have also typically sought some degree of control over their destiny by setting up their own national oil companies and researching the merits of direct oil purchases from oil-exporting countries. Finally, most industrialized countries now show concern for a revived dialogue with OXDCS.

G. North-South Dialogue from Northern Viewpoint

i. Conference on International Economic Cooperation

In 1974 the IEA appeared to most OPEC countries to symbolize the confrontation inherent in the energy crisis. But it was not intended by most IEA participants to be confrontational. For its part, France's reluctance to retaliate reflected its preference to dissociate itself from the apparent confrontation and instead to pursue bilateral arrangements with OPEC countries.

These different perceptions were reinforced by the CIEC conference of 1975-77. That conference, called at France's initiative, ended in qualified failure. One cause was the North's reluctance to deal with all issues of concern to North-South relations. Instead, the North preferred to discuss the issue of primary concern to itself, energy!

The final report of the CIEC conference pointed out the areas of agreement and disagreement. Regarding energy, agreement was reached on a few simpler matters:

- a. an assessment of the availability and supply of commercial energy,
- b. a recognition of the depletable nature of oil and gas and the need for transition to renewable sources of energy,
- c. the necessity for conservation and increased energy efficiency,
- d. the need to develop all forms of energy, and
- e. general conclusions and recommendations for national action and international cooperation in the energy field.

Disagreement was pointed out on the real substantive issues, including:

- a. energy prices and OXDCS' purchasing power from energy export earnings,
- b. accumulated revenues from oil exports,
- c. financial assistance to bridge external payments' difficulties of oil-importing countries,
- d. recommendations on resources within the UN law of the Sea Conference, and
- e. continuing consultations on energy.

ii. **Subsequent Efforts towards Cooperation**

Fortunately, cooperation has begun to replace confrontation. Some real efforts have been made to cooperate on non-political technical subjects.

The 1978 IEA Workshop on Energy IAia in Developing Countries included participation by QKDCS and OIDCs. The IEA has a current RD&D project with Mexico in the field of geothermal energy. The 1979 OECD report on renewable energy technology for developing countries was also an effort to find means of technical cooperation devoid of politics.

The EEC has begun a concerted effort to provide financial and technological assistance to OICDS. Such efforts were embodied in the Inure II convention of October 1979. It agreed on cooperation between the European Community and 58 African, Caribbean, and Pacific nations on a broad range of issues, including the field of energy. However, this did not include Latin America. In fact, EEC aid in the energy field in absolute terms is second only to the World Bank. In a role political sphere the EEC is renewing efforts for a Euro-Arab dialogue.

At their Venice summit meeting in June 1980, seven major industrialised countries advocated increased financial aid for energy to OICDs, and an international energy financing

Facility to undertake it. They asked the World Bank to examine the adequacy of the resources and mechanism now in place for the exploitation, development, and production of conventional and renewable energy sources in OICDS. This includes the possibility of establishing a new affiliate or facility by which it might improve and increase its lending program for energy activities. They asked the World Bank to explore its findings with oil-exporting and industrial countries. The Seven welcomed the Brandt Commission report and undertook to consider its recommendations carefully.

ii Renewed Interest in North-South Dialogue

There is a growing realisation that a) economic disaster in the industrialised countries and b) the well-being of developing countries both affect the whole world. The North-South dialogue in its several forms is an effort to deal amicably with issues of Joint concern to both industrialised countries and developing countries, whether they be oil-importers Or exporters.

In 1980 the (JEDC, EEC, IEA, and the Seven separately called for a constructive consumer-producer dialogue. In recent months a number of industrialised countries have expressed increasing interest in resuming some kind of North-South dialogue. This looks likely to be the underlying theme in summit meetings in 1981, including a) the mini-summit of about 25 developed and developing countries planned for October 1981 in Mexico City, and b) the seven industrialised countries' meeting of July 1981 in Ottawa. This is all additional to attempts to launch the UN global negotiations on international economic cooperation for development .

There have been many difficulties in reaching a consensus even among industrial countries in the field of energy, but there has been willingness to overcome them. A North-South dialogue will encounter similar difficulties, but much can be achieved if there is a comparable willingness to solve them as the industrialised countries. The work

* Canada, France, FR Germany, Italy, Japan, United Kingdom, and the United States. All except France are members of IEA.

Already begun on technical cooperation, in areas devoid of political content, presages well for the future.

4. CONVERGENCES AND CONFLICTS

A. A Review of Interests--National and Global i. The National Energy Interests of the OICDs

To begin with, it is a task to the national security of most OPECs that they have enough oil to meet the needs of their economies. Typically, these need a quantity growing at perhaps 6% p.a., to support their rapidly growing modern sectors and in some cases to meet needs in their traditional sectors that depleting reserves can no longer fill. It is also important that oil imports be made available on financial terms which will not leave the OPECs with crushing debt burdens. Most OPECs are in the midst of a transition from traditional fuels to rare modern fuels. At the same time, they must soon make a transition from oil to renewable and other rare plentiful sources. Each of them needs to learn as soon as possible what these successor sources will be, and whether they can shift directly from traditional fuels to those successors without an intervening period of oil use.

ii. The National Energy Interests of Oil Exporters

These nations usually like to maximize their earnings from oil exports. It is not clear whether this can be done best by changing prices frequently and in small increments to charge what the market will bear, or by permitting prices to fluctuate wildly as they did in the 1970s.

A second related goal is to protect the value of their export earnings, perhaps by accepting payment in a form whose value is maintained by large oil importers or the IMF, and perhaps by converting such earnings into investments at home, in industrialised countries, or in insured investments in the Third World.

A third closely connected goal is to keep control of their oil resources--a control won only recently and hence jealously guarded. This includes control over prices, production rates, and allocation among consumers.

Fourth, oil exporters need to make a transition to the post-oil era. This means that their economies must be strong enough to withstand the reduction in earnings from oil exports. It also means that energy works must be available to take the place of oil for internal use in these countries.

A fifth goal which they have expressed is to expand their internal oil-producing capacity. This will give them greater knowledge about and control over their oil resources.

At least some oil exporters are eager to gain access to markets in industrialised countries for their processed raw materials and manufactured exports. This includes such goods and services as oil shipping, fertilizers, and other petrochemicals.

Several of them are concerned that demand from the industrialised countries is forcing them to produce oil at a faster pace than is warranted either by the goal of maximizing oil extraction or by their economic goals. Hence, they support the idea of oil conservation especially in the large

Industrial countries.

Finally, oil-exporting countries and OPEC countries as a group have called for reforms in the international economic order. From time to time experts from oil-exporting countries have suggested that any negotiations on oil must be linked to such reforms.

iii. The National Energy Interests of Industrialised Countries

The chief energy concern of the industrialised countries is to have a reliable supply of oil. Some of them hope to achieve this by securing a political commitment from one or nine producers. Others have urged that productive capacity be expanded in their own jurisdictions, or elsewhere in the world.

Another energy goal common to most of these countries is to achieve orderly prices for oil. Orderly prices according to some views have meant cheap prices. But increasingly, the view is heard that orderly prices may mean rising real prices along a trend line that avoids sharp fluctuations.

A third energy goal is to make a non-traumatic transition from oil to renewable and other more plentiful energy sources.

tv. **The (barn Energy Interests of the World Community**

The first goal shared by all nations is to keep the world economy performing well. To do so requires several successful efforts.

The second goal shared by the community of nations is to make the transition from oil to renewable and other more plentiful sources of energy before physical shortages of oil have inflicted damage on the world economy.

The third common goal is to resolve our common energy problems in ways that protect the world's ecosystems, notably the planet's forests, soils, streams, lakes, oceans, and air.

B. **Converging and Diverging Approaches to these National and Global Goals**

Insofar as international actions are concerned, four steps are essential:

i. to ensure an adequate supply of oil to each nation, [ii. to](#) keep the prices of oil orderly,

[iii. to](#) keep the trading system open, and

[iv. to](#) keep the foreign exchange earnings of capital-surplus countries recycling throughout the global economy.

In addition, actions by nations (particularly the largest economies) to avoid inflation and recession are critical to the health of the world economy.

We will briefly examine each of these four international actions, and identify those approaches to each which are likely to cause conflict, and those where the national interests of the several parties are likely to converge.

i. Ensured Supply of Oil

In the medium to long-term, the least contentious approach to a reliable supply of oil is to expand world oil production capacity. Judging from the stated position of the several parties, oil-exporting nations *very* much want to expand their capacity; clearly OPEC nations would like to do the same; many industrialised countries are providing incentives to their people to do likewise; and OPEC nations have expressed preliminarily their interest in joining other nations to start a new program to help OPEC nations develop their oil and other energy resources. In sum, a major program to expand world oil supply should be relatively non-controversial.

Another approach to energy supply reliability applicable to the OPEC nations would be to help finance their oil imports. Even if world oil supply is adequate, a number of OPEC nations may be threatened with supply shortage for want of financing to pay for oil on terms they can afford. There is no great disagreement in principle over the proposition that the world should help OPEC nations finance their oil imports. One somewhat controversial proposal is that exporters should sell oil to OPEC nations at world prices but on long-term credit at low interest rates (much as the US does with food under P.L. 480). Another proposal that has generated nothing but opposition among oil exporters is for them to sell oil to OPEC nations at special low prices.

A very controversial approach to supply reliability is the proposal that oil producers agree to an international

covenant that limits their unilateral control over oil products and exports. OPEC countries, long frustrated by having their oil in foreign hands and only recently having won control, are exceptionally sensitive about any proposals which would reduce their unilateral control over their oil.

The method of ensuring supply reliability being followed by the largest industrial oil importers is to make bilateral arrangements with individual oil exporters. For example, the largest importer, the US, gives particular attention to its bilateral relationships with Saudi Arabia and Mexico. Likewise, Japan and the several European countries rely on bilateral understandings with oil suppliers. There are two defects in such an international system. First, it is not clear that any of these bilateral understandings would last in the event of a serious shortfall in supply. One can anticipate keen competition in such an event, and it is likely that producers would tend to review their own positions anew, seeking to serve their own self-interest, rather than considering themselves bound in perpetuity by past understandings. The second defect is that a system of competing bilateral understandings tends to leave small importers and financially weak countries out of account.

The industrialised country members of the International Energy Agency have also sought to improve their oil supply reliability by agreeing among themselves on an

emergency system of allocating oil in the event of a shortfall. Some industrialised countries have begun a program of stockpiling oil, but this has prompted OPEC nations to threaten retaliation because they do not wish to lose any of the leverage given them by the dependence of oil importers.

Finally, OPEC's Long Range Strategy (which is still under review) suggests that developing countries be given priority over the industrialised countries in the allocation of oil. OPEC officials are giving thought to the mechanics of an allocation system to give effect to this intention.

It is not easy to find a short-run reliable way to correct this patchwork of arrangements. Even if OPEC were willing to agree to a long-term binding guarantee not deliberately to cut supplies below a stated level, it would require an unusual degree of discipline among its members for the agreed supply level to be met. Nevertheless, because of the importance of reliable supplies of oil, the dialogue between oil exporters and importers should not cease to search for acceptable formulae that would help.

The one step which would be effective and probably could be agreed upon is to launch a program to expand oil production capacity in OPEC and non-OPEC countries. This would take several years to bear fruit. Meanwhile, oil importers must live with a degree of uncertainty, a condition that could be improved relatively quickly by conservation efforts.

ii. Orderly Prices for Oil

Many experts believe that the level of oil prices is not as important as the sudden, unpredictable, and uneven pace of change. While they accept the need and desirability of continuing increases in real prices, they believe that the inflationary impact could be substantially reduced if these price changes occurred in small, predictable increments. It must be conceded, however, that a large strand of thought in the governments and publics of the North believes that the problem is one of absolute levels of oil prices; that the OPEC "cartel" is forcing artificially and unjustifiably high prices. This does appear to be a declining point of view, as the weight of opinion grows that prices are in fact determined by the buyers' competition for available oil and that the official prices set by OPEC countries merely confirm what the market has already determined.

Some proposals have been made, which would help gradually to moderate prices and would have a good chance of being accepted. These include proposals a) to cut demand for oil by conserving and by increasing the production of alternatives to oil, and b) to increase oil supplies by stepping up exploration in all prospective countries.

The most controversial proposal is that there should be multilateral negotiations of a price formula which would be binding upon oil exporters. The reaction of these nations to such a proposal is as negative as their reaction to proposals for a negotiated formula for oil supply and for similar reasons: having only recently gained a degree of control over the prices of oil, they do not want to lose it.

OPEC countries are reviewing the merits of introducing a system of unilateral orderly increases in oil prices, linking them to the rate of inflation and growth of real GNP in industrialised countries. The formula would constitute a floor price for oil rather than a ceiling or a target. But if the ceiling is the result of competition among buyers (as suggested above), perhaps the floor price would not be far from the ceiling.

OPEC has prepared a table indicating the price at which oil would have sold, if the floor price had represented the actual price since 1974.

YEAR	INDEX (1973:100)	PRICE (\$ per barrel)
1974	116.8	10.84
1975	136.5	12.66
1976	143.0	14.80
1977	164.4	15.50
1978	195.5	17.82
1979	223.8	21.19
1980		24.25

Note: Index is the aggregate of inflation, exchange rates and GNP changes. The base is the actual price for 1974; other prices are derived by applying index.

Source: Oil Intelligence Weekly, May 12, 1980, Supplement.

This clearly shows a much more orderly price progression than the prices which actually prevailed. The unilateral price formula could be of value to world economic stability, if the floor were to approximate the ceiling. Vigorous efforts by all parties to expand productive capacity of energy and to restrain demand would help ensure that it did.

iii. An Open Trading System

If shortages and price gyrations of oil cause recession, unemployment, and foreign exchange crises, some countries will be tempted to impose restrictions on imports. This could trigger retaliatory trade barriers that would greatly magnify the damage to the world economy. Even without such oil-induced disturbances, trade barriers already exist which are especially burdensome to developing countries that do not have economic strength to protect themselves. Quotas are imposed on some imports from developing countries, and there are tariffs which escalate with the degree of processing or fabricating. This is burdensome to countries which hope to move from exporting raw materials to finished or manufactured goods but find their exports of such goods penalised. Several proposals have been made, including elimination of tariff escalation, and rebates to developing countries of all revenues collected from tariffs on imports from those countries. Because of rising unemployment, industrialised countries will find it politically difficult to accept proposals which would accelerate the rate at which their workers are displaced by imports. Tariff rebates may be less controversial, but it would be difficult to ensure that they were not offset by matching cuts in aid programs.

proposals have been made and partially adopted which would support the health of the world economy by smoothing out price swings of raw materials and ensuring to some extent that such prices were not too low. These commodity agreements have been difficult to operate, although there is not much opposition to them in principle.

iv. Money Recycled Efficiently

Recent rises in oil prices together with sustained demand will mean that total costs of oil traded internationally in 1980 will come to about \$290 billion. This is more money than oil exporters can spend in the short run. Thus, surplus foreign exchange in 1980 (before official transfers) in the hands of major oil exporters is estimated by the IMF at about \$115 billion. This is mostly in the hands of half a dozen capital-surplus exporters: Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, UAE, Iraq, and Libya. The corresponding deficits are basically in the industrial countries (\$52 billion), some minor OPECs (\$6.5 billion), and OICs (\$62 billion). Unless these surpluses are moved quickly into use, the result will be economically depressing, like a giant tax suddenly imposed without notching expenditures. Recycling can take place when the surplus dollars are borrowed by persons or institutions that invest them, or when the owner of the surpluses invests them directly. Over time, the surplus countries' demand for imports will also reduce the surplus, but this does not help in the short-run. Much of the surplus will be recycled routinely by fire tanks where it is deposited. They lend it to investors, especially in the industrialised countries. But a large part of the deficit is to the OICs. Unless a proportionately large share of the surpluses is recycled to the OICs, the tax-like depressing effect would hit them and be radiated to the rest of the world. But banks may be reaching the limits to which they can prudently lend to such countries, and in many cases those countries have never established credit in the industrialised countries' money markets.

A number of ideas have been evolving to deal with the recycling problem. To begin with, the industrialised countries could greatly expand the proportion of funds to creditworthy Third World nations, by establishing a facility to rediscount debts of such countries held by the banking system of industrialised countries.

For years, ideas have been discussed involving World Bank participation in a program to guarantee against default the bonds of Third World countries which are placed directly on the public bond markets of Northern countries. Proposals are also being discussed to expand the IMF's activities in deficit countries. Each of these three general approaches would be of most use to countries which can afford to pay commercial rates. Except for the IMF, these services would be available only to countries which have established credit ratings in international money markets.

At least two kinds of proposals would be useful to countries without established credit and without ability to pay commercial rates. One would be for an established institution such as the World Bank or SME to make loans with very low interest rates and long repayment periods to such countries. The Fund or a Bank might borrow the money for those loans directly from the surplus countries. Another approach is represented by the OPEC staff proposal to expand the OPEC Special Fund into an international aid agency with capitalisation of \$20 billion. These are only a few of the many ideas that have been suggested for recycling funds. The main job will, of course, continue to be done by the private banking

system. None of these ideas is particularly controversial. But it is by no means certain that any satisfactory program to recycle funds will be approved, because the self-interest of the economic powers in recycling money is not widely perceived outside the ranks of monetary specialists.

C. The Goal of Making a Transition to More Plentiful Energy Sources

The entire world shares the problem that oil and gas will one day be depleted. It therefore shares the goal of making a transition to renewable and other more plentiful sources of energy before oil and gas supplies fall short. Four actions can help in this transition: i) to conserve energy, ii) to find more oil in order to allow 'rare time for the transition, iii) to find, invent, develop, and deploy alternative energy sources, and iv) to adjust the price of oil and other energy forms relative to one another. In addition to these four worldwide actions, OPEC nations *have* a special problem of preparing their economies for the loss of revenues in the post-petroleum era. These five topics are discussed in the following paragraphs. in OPEC countries; ...and the lifting of trade barriers on non-oil exports from oil-producing countries" (PIW, May 12, 1980, Supplement).

Rational pricing is critical in every step of the transition from oil and gas to successor energy sources. If prices are too low, the less accessible deposits of oil and gas will not be sought or, if found, they will not be exploited. Secondary and tertiary production will not be pursued. Heavy oil will be left underground. In short, the right price is important to finding more oil. It plays an equally important role in the conservation of oil. In many cases it costs *money* to save energy (insulation, new machinery, etc.). An investor (e.g., a homeowner or a businessman) typically will calculate how much money he will save annually by investing in energy efficiency; and he will make the investment if it will pay off in a short period but not if it takes many years. If the price of energy is high, the annual savings are greater; and so it may pay to make an investment which would not be warranted when energy prices are lower. Virtually the same calculations are at play. Women entrepreneurs consider investments which would replace oil. If a solar hot-water heater is paid for in five years by saving natural gas, some may regard it as a good investment, but not if it takes 15 years. The investment decision may depend on the price of natural gas.

Pricing is likewise important to OPEC countries' effort to prepare for the decline of oil. So long as gasoline sells for \$0.12 a gallon, it is likely that their economies will quickly become deeply dependent on petroleum, making it that much harder for them to make the transition.

I). The Goal of Preserving Earth's Ecosystems

Certain of the world's ecosystems may be threatened by the energy choices made by nations, businesses, and individuals. Forests and other ground cover are threatened in some places by the demand for woodfuels. Deforestation and devegetation in turn may lead to soil erosion, reduced watertables, downstream siltation, flooding, and desertification. The construction of large dams for hydroelectric power destroys river valleys and in some cases may bring waterborne diseases to a region. Nuclear plants may lead to ocean dumping of low-level radioactive wastes, which are a threat of unknown proportions to ocean life. They involve a) threats of nuclear accidents which may *retake* an area uninhabitable for long periods, and b) the problem of how and where to dispose permanently of spent fuels. Finally, decisions to move to a coal economy or to synthetic liquid fuels made from coal or shale bring the likelihood of an increase in the earth's CO₂, together with a possible warming trend which could cause great dislocations on earth.

Although the issue of the earth's life systems is clearly important to all nations, it has not generated as many proposals or as much intense diplomatic interest as issues of oil price and supply or of a New International Economic Order. There would probably not be much

controversy generated by proposals to protect and renew forests, to safeguard the oceans against radioactive dumping, or to study carefully the impact of building large dams. Clearly more information is needed on the problem of CO₂ and nuclear spent fuel disposal before international action can be seriously discussed. But these are energy-related issues that they profoundly affect all of us or our descendants. There is strong convergence of interest in protecting the earth's ecosystems.

E. Maximising OPEC's Economic Gains

Each of the more pressing demands of the oil-importing and industrialised countries has been dealt with in the three preceding sections. But the oil exporters have a strong interest which has not been covered: namely to maximise their economic gains. They wish to optimise their oil revenues. They wish to protect the value of these revenues. Probably most important of all, they wish to keep control of their oil resources.

i. To Optimise OPEC Revenues

Much more study is needed to answer the question how OPEC countries' earnings can be maximized. How far could they cut production and raise prices without causing economic damage which would harm their own earnings? Clearly the health of oil-importing countries' economies is important to them. How can prices rise, without bringing substitutes into play and harming OPEC earnings? We cannot answer these questions; but interestingly, if the OPEC long Range Strategy Report's index had been applied from 19 OPEC countries

The actual price rather than the floor price),

Would have earned a cumulative \$1,306 billion compared to the \$1,218 billion they actually earned an increase of \$88 billion (Table II-12).

TABLE II-12: OPEC OIL PRODUCTION AND REVENUES

Year	Production (million b/d)	Actual Price (\$/bbl)	Revenue (\$ billion)	- Revenue Price (\$/bbl)	Revenue (\$ billion)
1973	30.9	3.39	38.2	3.39	38.2
1974	30.7	11.28	126.4	10.84	124.8
1975	27.0	11.02	108.6	12.66	166.3
1976	30.7	11.77	132.3	14.80	175.4
1977	31.0	12.88	145.7	15.50	193.8
1978	29.8	12.93	140.6	17.82	237.4
1979	30.7	18.64	208.9	21.19	248.6
1980	28.0	31.00	317.7	24.26	
		1979-80	1,218.4		1,306.0
		Difference		87.6	

Source: US Department of Energy, for product 12^{an}1980^{for} price; P1W, Special Supplement, ^{May} index prices.

The irony is that this formula may also have been better for oil-importing nations. Although the annual cost of oil would have been greater by about \$11 billion, we believe that this would have been more than offset by two factors: i) the oil price in 1980 might have been an indexed \$24.6

Rather than a stingy \$31 and ii) the price has been predictable, smooth, and orderly. There might not

Necessarily have been any large increases in real prices, followed by declines and sudden steep rises. Fewer disturbances would have been caused to the global economy. Perhaps the formula may offer part of the answer to the apparent conflict between OPEC countries' desire to optimize earnings and oil

importing countries' desire for orderly pricing. Not resolve the conflict between OPEC countries' desire to keep unilateral control over their oil and gas and oil importers' desire for assured supply.

ii. To Protect OPEC Revenues

The second step in optimizing OPEC countries' economic welfare is to protect the value of their earnings. One of the forces which has discouraged capital-surplus

exporters from producing more oil has been the fact that oil in the ground (appreciating in value) is a better investment than money (depreciating in value). It is asking too much of these exporters that they should sell more oil than necessary to cover their import needs and to hold the balance in money, unless the value of these funds can be protected.

One approach to protecting their value is to make it easy for OPEC countries to invest surplus funds in profitable ventures in industrialized countries. Some OPEC countries have shown interest in investing downstream, e.g., in shipping, refining, and distributing oil. This would also give capital-surplus countries a stake in keeping a reliable flow of oil to oil-importing countries and thereby keeping their own investment earnings healthy, a clear convergence of interests.

A second approach is to encourage OPEC countries to invest in Outs, where some of the highest-paying investments are to be found. The problem is that such investments may be risky. Reasons include less-developed economic infrastructure, immature money markets, unknown consumer demands, and sometimes uncertain government policies towards foreign investors. Hence OPEC countries may be unwilling to invest in Outs, unless means are found of sharing these special risks with other countries or international institutions, again a clear convergence.

OPEC countries are eager to put their surplus earnings into investments at home, including fertilizer plants, petrochemicals, oil refineries, and manufacturing plants. To the extent that such investments are in industries which already have unused productive capacity and therefore displace plants in the North or in Odes, there will be contention. This kind of problem needs to be worked out on case-by-case tasks.

Another idea for protecting surplus earnings is to pay them in bonds or other securities whose dollar value increases with the decline in the purchasing power of the dollar. A somewhat related proposal is that they be paid in SDRs. The SDR is valued according to a formula which includes the 16 leading currencies (five leading currencies as from 1981). Since a decline in value of any one of these currencies tends to be offset by corresponding gains in others among the 16 currencies, the SDR is unusually stable in value. Moreover, there is less risk that any sovereign government might freeze an OPEC's account, because the SDRs would be held on deposit with the IMF. This approach would also have the effect of strengthening the IMF's role in world banking. None of these ideas generally provoke any great opposition in principle.

Of course, even with all these proposals OPEC earnings would not be completely without risk. Insecurity is to some extent unavoidable not only for oil exporters but also for oil importers. The best one can hope for is to reduce it and make it more manageable through international cooperation.

iii. To Retain OPEC Control

The third related objective of OPEC countries is to keep control over production and pricing of oil and gas. As noted above, they are especially sensitive on this point, because of long history of foreign control. They do not regard the issue of control over oil price and volume as negotiable in any eventual dialogue with oil importers.

It was suggested above that the indexed price formula (if an actual price target rather than a floor) could help resolve the price impasse, as it would be better for all parties than what has happened. The problem is whether it will approximate the actual price.

So long as there is no major interruption in oil supply and there are efforts by major oil importers to restrain demand, there is good prospect that the floor formula will become the actual price formula because the floor price will be continually revised upwards and may press against what the market will bear. But if major cut-offs do occur and demand outstrips supply, then the actual price is likely to

Exceed the formula price. This will be hard to prevent, even if there were a global negotiated and "binding" obligation upon OPEC nations to restrain prices. The spot market might simply become active, and the amount of oil moving at official prices (which might indeed not exceed negotiated prices) would decline. It is *very* difficult to prevent any nation or entrepreneur (oil importers as well as exporters) from charging what a hungry market will bear.

Regarding control over production levels, OPEC countries' desire to control their own resources is in conflict with oil importers' desire for an assured supply. The Brandt Commission has suggested that "oil exporting countries... assure levels of production and agree not to reduce supplies arbitrarily or suddenly..." We believe that such an agreement is plausible if it is notched by such a commitment by oil importers to nest sons of the demands of OPEC countries discussed above.

F. **Prospects for a Negotiated Settlement**

The convergent interests of all parties are powerful indeed. They include such task goals as keeping national and international economies healthy, making a transition from societies based on oil to those relying on different energy sources, protecting the earth's life systems, and satisfying the special demands of oil exporters's that progress towards the other goals can proceed. The conflicts do appear formidable, although they are fewer and less important to the life and health of the world and its inhabitants. They include the strong desire of OPEC countries to keep control over oil price and production, which is to same extent in conflict with oil importers' desire for certainty of supply and orderly prices. It is conceivable that OPEC countries, having developed a floor price formula, might be willing, in exchange for concession by oil importers, to prescribe a formula for a price ceiling or for a price target where the actual price would fall within the ceiling and floor. We believe it possible that negotiations between Execs and oil-importing countries could develop a formula to provide some insurance to oil importers against capricious supply interruptions. Given the importance of the stake which all nations have in cooperating, it is certainly worth continuing the dialogue in search of agreement.

This chapter discusses global opportunities in several areas, taking into account convergences and conflicts between the parties involved. There are opportunities in managing the remaining decades of oil, such as a) finding and developing oil and gas in the OIICS, Polar Regions, and deep ocean water, and b) conserving oil production and consumption and improving efficiency in energy use. There are opportunities in pressing ahead with the transition from oil to other energy sources and technologies.

). MANAGING THE REMAINING DECADES OF OIL

A. Development of Oil and Gas in the Odes

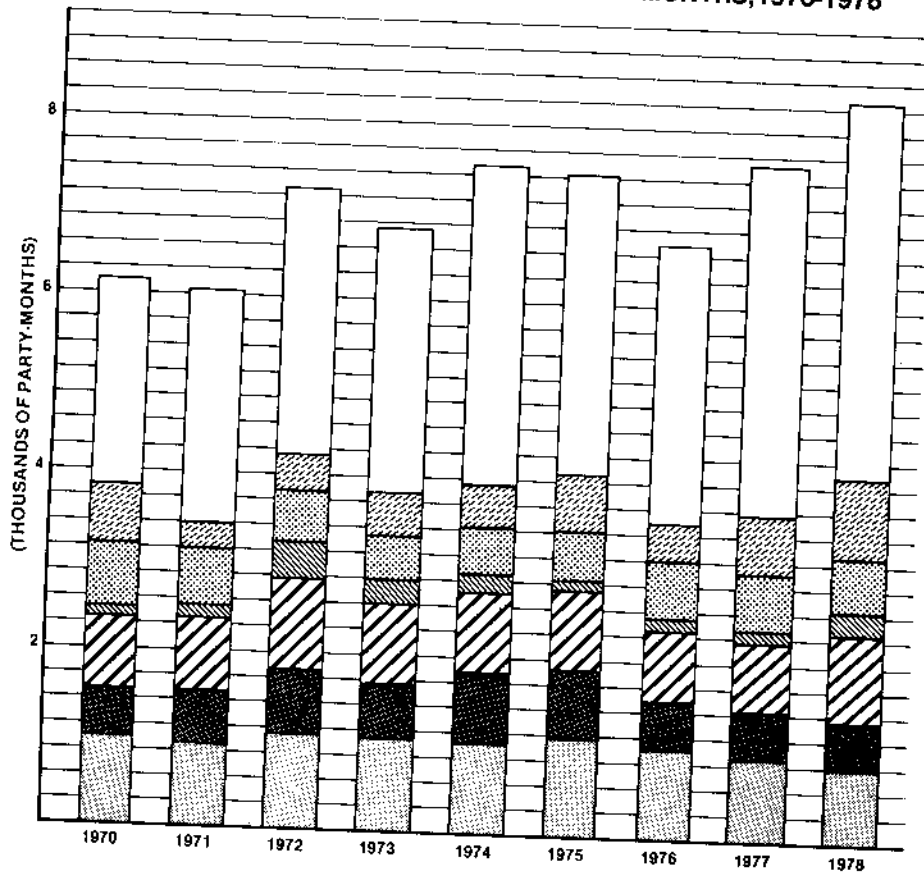
The development of oil and gas resources in Odes is one of the few areas where there is, in principle at least, a clear convergence of interest between industrialized countries, oil-exporting countries, and the Odes themselves. Indigenous production of oil and gas in the Odes benefits all countries. Industrialized countries stand to gain because additional production in the Odes will take some of the pressure off limited supplies from exporting countries—a consideration to be weighed in the context of OPEC's guarantee to give priority of supply to other developing countries. The oil-exporting countries stand to gain from the decreased pressure on their depleting reserves and from fewer demands for financial assistance related to oil imports of the Odes. And of course the OIICS stand to gain enormously from the balance of payments relief that increased production of indigenous energy would bring (oil imports will probably account for 40% of the Odes' merchandise exports this year).








Exploration for oil in developing countries is very far from having responded adequately to the price rises of 1973-74 and 1979-80. There are a number of reasons for this which is set out below, but the salient statistics on the exploratory and development record before

And after the 1973-74 price rises should first be recalled.

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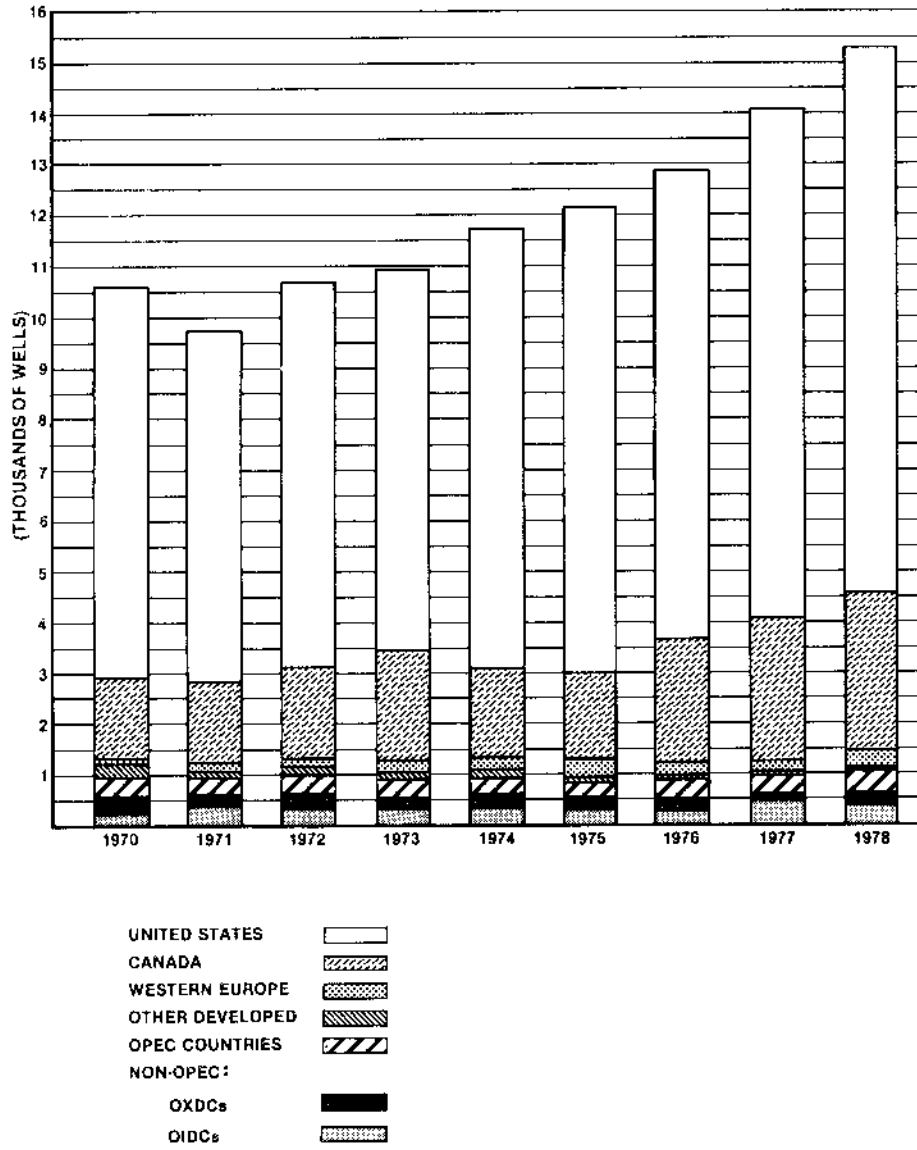
**13. DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:
GEOPHYSICAL ACTIVITY, SEISMIC PARTY-MONTHS, 1970-1978**



UNITED STATES 
 CANADA 
 WESTERN EUROPE 
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 OPEC COUNTRIES 
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Source: AAPG Bulletin, October 1979.

**14. DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:
NUMBER OF WILDCAT WELLS DRILLED, 1970-1978**



Source: AAPG Bulletin, October 1979, and Oil and Gas Journal, Annual December issues, 1970-1976.

To find conventional alternatives such as coal will take private incentives and, in some cases, government encouragement. To develop hydro will call for major capital inputs. To invent, develop and test non-conventional renewable technologies will take government and private HD&D efforts on a large scale. To market these technologies will take the combined and cooperative efforts of governments and private entrepreneurs. To develop and make available improved traditional energy will call for important investments by public bodies working cooperatively with local institutions and individuals.

Fortunately, there is no opposition in principle to these programs. Major obstacles are government budget restraints, lack of trust between investors and public authorities, and imperfect understanding of the common stake in the success of such programs.

iv. Prepare the Oil Exporters' Economies for the Transition

Oil exporters have needs similar to other countries in terms of expanding oil capacity, conserving oil (waste is apparent in some of these countries), and finding and deploying alternatives to oil. But oil exporters have another special transition problem: their economies have become dependent on earnings from the export of oil and gas. Their import bills for machines, food, and services have soared. At the end of the oil era they will lose the oil revenues and need other economic activities to take their place, by moaning equivalent revenues or producing import substitutes. Hence one finds on OPEC nations' agenda for negotiation the goal of obtaining "free access to the markets of developed countries for refined products and petrochemicals; access to existing and new advanced technology and know-how needed by OPEC countries for development of their industries; ...the location of energy-intensive industries in areas of natural gas production in OPEC countries; ...and the lifting of trade barriers on non-oil exports from oil-producing countries" (PIW, May 12, 1980, Supplement).

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Pricing is likewise important to OPEC countries' effort to prepare for the decline of oil. So long as gasoline sells for \$0.12 a gallon, it is likely that their economies will quickly become deeply dependent on petroleum, making it that much harder for them to make the transition.

D). The Goal of Preserving Earth's Ecosystems

Certain of the world's ecosystems may be threatened by the energy choices made by nations, businesses, and individuals. Forests and other ground cover are threatened in some places by the demand for wood fuels. Deforestation and desertification in turn may lead to soil erosion, reduced water tables, downstream salinization, flooding, and desertification. The construction of large dams for hydroelectric power destroys river valleys and in some cases may bring waterborne diseases to a region. Nuclear plants may lead to ocean dumping of low-level radioactive wastes, which are a threat of unknown proportions to ocean life. They involve a) threats of

nuclear accidents which *may retake* an area uninhabitable for long periods, and b) the problem of how and where to dispose permanently of spent fuels. Finally, decisions to move to a coal economy or to synthetic liquid fuels made from coal or shale bring the likelihood of an increase in the earth's CO₂, together with a possible warming trend which could cause great dislocations on earth.

Although the issue of the earth's life systems is clearly important to all nations, it has not generated as many proposals or as much intense diplomatic interest as issues of oil price and supply or of a New International Economic Order. There would probably not be much controversy generated by proposals to protect and renew forests, to safeguard the oceans against radioactive dumping, or to study carefully the impact of building large dams. Clearly more information is needed on the problem of CO₂ and nuclear spent fuel disposal before international action can be seriously discussed. But these are energy-related issues that may profoundly affect all of us or our descendants. There is strong convergence of interest in protecting the earth's Ecosystems.

E. Maximizing OPEC's Economic Gains

Each of the more pressing demands of the oil importing and industrialized countries has been dealt with in the three preceding sections. But the oil exporters have a strong interest which has not been covered: namely to maximize their economic gains. They wish to optimize their oil revenues. They wish to protect the value of these revenues. Probably most important of all, they wish to keep control of their oil resources.

I. To Optimize OPEC Revenues

Much more study is needed to answer the question how OPEC countries' earnings can be maximized. How far could they cut production and raise prices without causing economic damage which would harm their own earnings? Clearly the health of oil-importing countries' economies is important to them. How can prices rise, without bringing substitutes into play and harming OPEC earnings? We cannot answer these questions; but interestingly, if the OPEC long range

Strategy Report's index had been applied from 19 OPEC countries the actual price rather than the floor price), would have earned a cumulative \$1,306 billion compared to the \$1,218 billion they actually earned an increase of \$88 billion (Table fl-12).

TABLE II-12: OPEC OIL PRODUCTION AND REVENUE

Year	Production (million b/d)	Actual Price (\$/bbl)	Revenue (\$ billion)	- Price (\$/bbl)	Revenue (\$ billion)
1973	30.9	3.39	38.2	3.39	38.2
1974	30.7	11.28	126.4	10.84	124.8
1975	27.0	11.02	108.6	12.66	166.3
1976	30.7	11.77	132.3	14.80	175.4
1977	31.0	12.88	145.7	15.50	193.8
1978	29.8	12.93	140.6	17.82	237.4
1979	30.7	18.64	208.9	21.19	248.6
1980	28.0	31.00	317.7	24.26	
		1979-80	1,218.4		1,306.0
		Difference		87.6	

Source: US Department of Energy, for product 12^{an}1980^F or price; P1W, Special Supplement, ^{May} indexed prices.

The irony is that this formula may also have been better for oil-importing nations. Although the annual cost of oil would have been greater by about \$11 billion, we believe that this would have been more than offset by two factors: i) the oil price in 1980 might have been an indexed \$24.66

Rather than an sting teed \$31, and ii) the price have been predictable, smooth, and orderly. There might not

Necessarily have been any large increases in real prices, followed by declines and sudden steep rises. Fewer disturbances would have been caused to the global economy. Perhaps the formula may offer part of the answer to the apparent conflict between OPEC countries' desire to optimize earnings and o s

Importing countries' desire for orderly pricing. Not resolve the conflict between OPEC countries' desire to

keep unilateral control over their oil and gas and oil importers' desire for assured supply.

ii. To Protect OPEC Revenues

The second step in optimizing OPEC countries' economic welfare is to protect the value of their earnings. One of the forces which has discouraged capital-surplus exporters from producing more oil has been the fact that oil in the ground (appreciating in value) is a better investment than money (depreciating in value). It is asking too much of these exporters that they should sell more oil than necessary to cover their import needs and to hold the balance in money, unless the value of these funds can be protected.

One approach to protecting their value is to make it easy for OPEC countries to invest surplus funds in profitable ventures in industrialized countries. Some OPEC countries have shown interest in investing downstream, e.g., in shipping, refining, and distributing oil. This would also give capital-surplus countries a stake in keeping a reliable flow of oil to oil-importing countries and thereby keeping their own investment earnings healthy, a clear convergence of interests.

A second approach is to encourage OPEC countries to invest in Outs, where some of the highest-paying investments are to be found. The problem is that such investments may be risky. Reasons include less-developed economic infrastructure, immature money markets, unknown consumer demands, and sometimes uncertain government policies towards foreign investors. Hence OPEC countries may be unwilling to invest in OIICs, unless means are found of sharing these special risks with other countries or international institutions, again a clear convergence.

OPEC countries are eager to put their surplus earnings into investments at home, including fertiliser plants, petrochemicals, oil refineries, and manufacturing plants. To the extent that such investments are in industries which already have unused productive capacity and therefore displace plants in the North or in OIICs, there will be contention. This kind of problem needs to be worked out on a case-by-case basis.

Another idea for protecting surplus earnings is to pay them in bonds or other securities whose dollar value increases with the decline in the purchasing power of the dollar. A somewhat related proposal is that they be paid in SDRs. The SDR is valued according to a formula which includes the 16 leading currencies (five leading currencies as from 1981). Since a decline in value of any one of these currencies tends to be offset by corresponding gains in others among the 16 currencies, the SDR is unusually stable in value. Moreover, there is less risk that any sovereign government might freeze an OPEC's account, because the SDRs would be held on deposit with the IMF. This approach would also have the effect of strengthening the IMF's role in world banking. None of these ideas generally provoke any great opposition in principle.

Of course, even with all these proposals OPEC earnings would not be completely without risk. Insecurity is to some extent unavoidable not only for oil exporters but also for oil importers. The best one can hope for is to reduce it and make it more manageable through international cooperation.

iii. To Retain OPEC Control

The third related objective of OPEC countries is to keep control over production and pricing of oil and gas. As noted above, they are especially sensitive on this point, because of long history of foreign control. They do not regard the issue of control over oil price and volume as negotiable in any eventual dialogue with oil importers.

It was suggested above that the indexed price formula (if an actual price target rather than a floor) could help resolve the price impasse, as it would be better for all parties than what has happened. The problem is whether it will approximate the actual price.

So long as there is no major interruption in oil supply and there are efforts by major oil importers to restrain demand, there is good prospect that the floor formula will become the actual price formula because the floor price will be continually revised upwards and may press against what the market will bear. But if major cut-offs do occur and demand outstrips supply, then the actual price is

likely to

Exceed the formula price. This will be hard to prevent, even if there were a global negotiated and "binding" obligation upon OPEC nations to restrain prices. The spot market might simply become active, and the amount of oil moving at official prices (which might indeed not exceed negotiated prices) would decline. It is *very* difficult to prevent any nation or entrepreneur (oil importers as well as exporters) from charging what a hungry market will bear.

Regarding control over production levels, OPEC countries' desire to control their own resources is in conflict with oil importers' desire for an assured supply. The Brandt Commission has suggested that "oil exporting countries... assure levels of production and agree not to reduce supplies arbitrarily or suddenly..." We believe that such an agreement is plausible if it is notched by such a commitment by oil importers to meet some of the demands of OPEC countries discussed above.

F. Prospects for a Negotiated Settlement

The convergent interests of all parties are powerful indeed. They include such task goals as keeping national and international economies healthy, making a transition from societies based on oil to those relying on different energy sources, protecting the earth's life systems, and satisfying the special demands of oil exporters so that progress towards the other goals can proceed. The conflicts do appear formidable, although they are fewer and less important to the life and health of the world and its inhabitants. They include the strong desire of OPEC countries to keep control over oil price and production, which is to some extent in conflict with oil importers' desire for certainty of supply and orderly prices. It is conceivable that OPEC countries, having developed a floor price formula, might be willing, in exchange for concession by oil importers, to prescribe a formula for a price ceiling or for a price target where the actual price would fall within the ceiling and floor. We believe it possible that negotiations between OPEC and oil-importing countries could develop a formula to provide some insurance to oil importers against capricious supply interruptions. Given the importance of the stake which all nations have in cooperating, it is certainly worth continuing the dialogue in search of agreement.

This chapter discusses global opportunities in several areas, taking into account convergences and conflicts between the parties involved. There are opportunities in managing the remaining decades of oil, such as a) finding and developing oil and gas in the OIICS, Polar Regions, and deep ocean water, and b) conserving oil production and consumption and improving efficiency in energy use. There are opportunities in pressing ahead with the transition from oil to other energy sources and technologies.

3. MANAGING THE REMAINING DECADES OF OIL

A. Development of Oil and Gas in the OIICS

The development of oil and gas resources in OIICS is one of the few areas where there is, in principle at least, a clear convergence of interest between industrialised countries, oil-exporting countries, and the OIICS themselves. Indigenous production of oil and gas in the OIICS benefits all countries. Industrialised countries stand to gain because additional production in the OIICS will take some of the pressure of demand off limited supplies from exporting countries—a consideration to be weighed in the context of OPEC's guarantee to give priority of supply to other developing countries. The oil-exporting countries stand to gain from the decreased pressure on their depleting reserves and from fewer demands for financial assistance related to oil imports of the OIICS. And of course the OIICS stand to gain enormously from the balance of payments relief that increased production of indigenous energy would bring (oil imports will probably account for 40% of the OIICS' merchandise exports this year).

Exploration for oil in developing countries is very far from having responded adequately to the price rises of 1973-74 and 1979-80. There are a number of reasons for this which are set out below, but the salient statistics on the exploratory and development record before and after the 1973-74 price rises should first be recalled.

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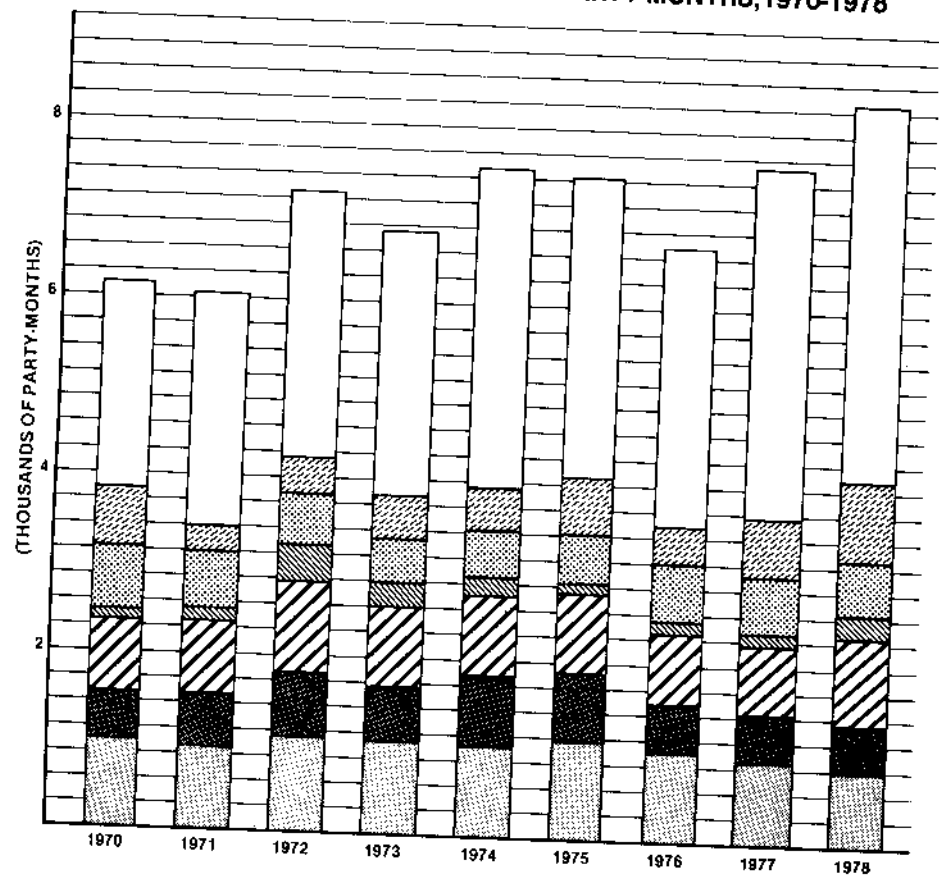
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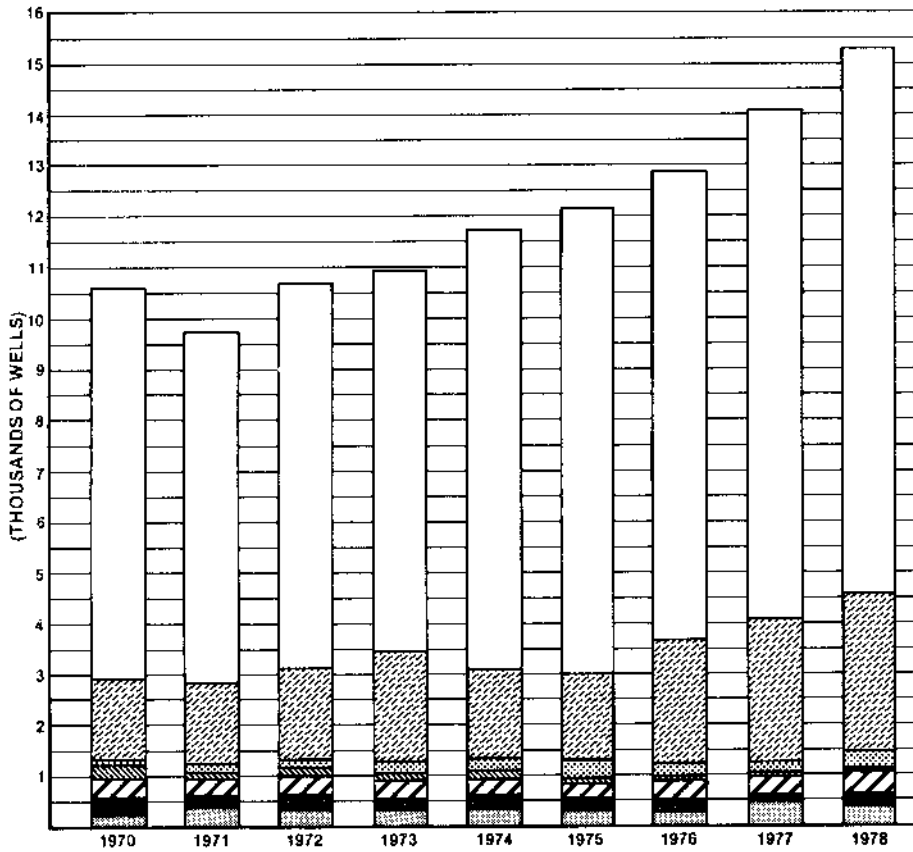
13. DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:
GEOPHYSICAL ACTIVITY, SEISMIC PARTY-MONTHS, 1970-1978










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Source: AAFG Bulletin, October 1979.

**14. DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:
NUMBER OF WILDCAT WELLS DRILLED, 1970-1978**



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Source: AAPG Bulletin, October 1979, and Oil and Gas Journal, Annual December issues, 1970-1976.

TABLE III-2: NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS DRILLED IN OI DCsR
OI DCs in: Year 1970 Year 1978

Africa 53 41 Asia 13 121 Latin M ERica		<u>273</u>	228
Total	339	<u>390</u>	
of: US & Canada	9,252	13,821 ^R	oil-importing
developing countries as of 1979.			

The total number of rigs active on both exploratory and development drilling on the other hand has increased fairly rapidly since 1971 (data unavailable for 1970), at a rate of almost 8% per year-but from a very low base. As of 1978, they numbered 296 and have continued to rise since then, reaching a total of 328 in June 1980. Table III-3 below shows the comparison between 1971 and 1978:

TABLE III-3: NUMBER OF RIGS ACTIVE IN OI DCsR

March		December
<u>Ours in:</u>	1971	<u>1978</u>
Africa 9 26 Asia 51 103 Latin America	103	167
Total	163	296
of: US & Canada	926	2,460 ^S
developing countries as of 1979.		oil-importing

A measure of the inadequacy of the exploratory effort is the minimal result we have obtained. Of the more than 120

countries which were OIECs in 1979, only eight were producing oil from fields discovered during the eight years 1970-77. Moreover, that production only amounted to 320,000 b/d. In comparison, import requirements of the OIICs (excluding southern Europe) are about 4.5 million b/d. Thus, on the average, discoveries during each of the eight years contributed only 40,000 b/d to total production in 1979. If this performance cannot be improved in the future, annual growth of indigenous production will be less than 1% of import requirements, and the gap between production and imports will widen.

Even if one includes countries which have become small net exporters since 1970 (Congo, Cameroon, Tunisia, Zaire), total production in 1979 from 1970-77 discoveries aggregated only 425,000 b/d, or 53,000 b/d each year. If one also includes the handful of success stories which have become net exporters since 1970: Angola, Egypt, Gabon, Malaysia, Oman and Trinidad & Tobago (apart from Mexico which already knew in 1970 that it could develop an export surplus whenever it chose), total production in 1979 from 1970-77 discoveries rises to only 1.3 million b/d, or only 164,000 b/d each year. The data is shown in Table III-4 below.

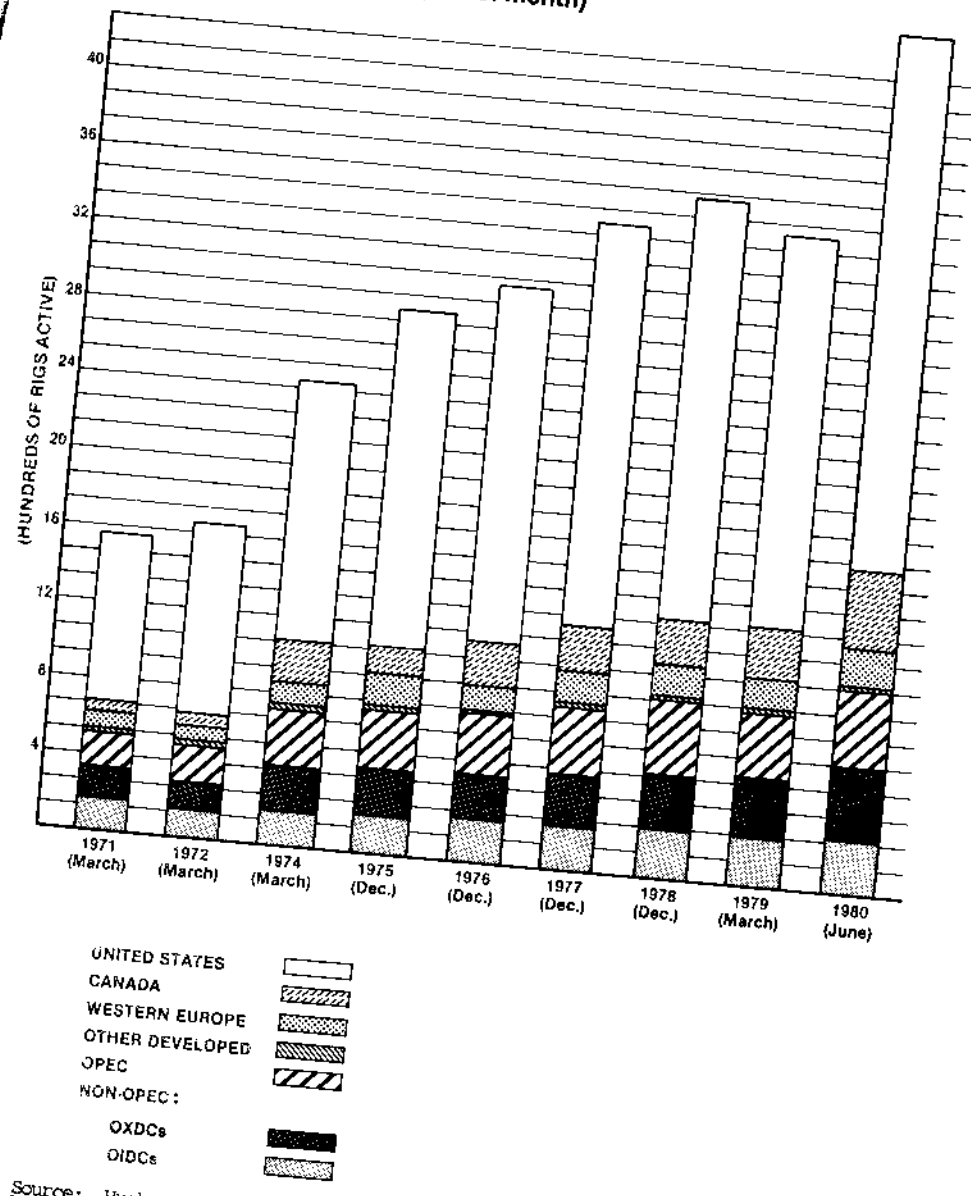
These results can only be described as wretched. They are very far below the annual increment in oil demand in Ours. Unless great improvements can be made in discovery rates, import requirements will continue to grow, or demand (and probably economic growth) will have to be severely constrained through lack of foreign exchange to pay for the imports.

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In brief, exploration worldwide in 1978 reached record levels, by far the highest in North America. A relatively small amount took place in OIICs. The lion's share was in those of them which produce oil. Exploratory efforts were very small in OIICs which do not produce oil, no more than 130 seismic party-months (1.5% of total).

¹Excluding Argentina, for which insufficient data are available.

15. DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:
RIGS ACTIVE, 1971-1980
(end of month)



Source: Hughes Tool Co.

TABLE III11:
OIL PRODUCTION IN 1979 FROM OILCDS OF 1970 AND 1979

OILCDS 1979 ^a	OILCDS 1970 ^b
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No. of fields discovered,

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1970-77

(thousand b/d)

Crude production in 1979 from	323	1,309
1970-77 discoveries	40	164
Ditto, average annual increment	11	16
Average size of field		

aCountries which were OILCDS in 1979.

bCountries which OILCDS in 1970.

(the total for developed and developing countries) and 63 wells (0.4% of the total).

It is possible that lead-times are so great that it is still too early to judge the response in the exploratory effort to the 1973-74 price increases. For example, major countries-- Argentina, Brazil, Chile, and India-- have reversed long-standing policies, and have only recently, are only now, bringing in foreign oil companies to assist in exploration. However, the weight of the evidence (reflected in the statistics above on geophysical exploration and drilling activity) suggests that the response to price increases is rather low, and that there are a number of constraints on exploration which cannot be normally overcome, through incentive provided by high prices and the expectation of even higher ones to follow. These constraints are examined below.

The most intractable constraint of all is, of course, when a country has poor geological prospects. But this is not as straightforward a matter as might seem at first sight.

What constitutes a poor geological prospect is a matter of judgement. The improvement of geophysical exploratory techniques during recent years means that much of obtainable seismic data is now to be reinterpreted and that modern equipment need not of itself provide It is possible that higher with sufficient incentive for this instances, however, lead-time course of events. In some

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outside Latin M Erica, notably until recently India. But as noted
above, there has been a change in policy during the past few years in
several of £ the largest developing countries, which are now turning
once gore to foreign oil companies for assistance in the exploratory

In other instances, government ^{policy} has tended to effort.iscourage
exploration by setting conditions which are unacceptable to riany foreign
companies, either because of burdensome fiscal terms or because of other
factors, such as performance bonds or minimum work programs considered too high
by the companies.

Finally, another aspect in which government policy
son times contributes to a slowing-down in exploration for
hydrocarbons is through indecision or simply inability on the part of the

government to implement its policies efficiently. Indecision may reflect internal differences within the government, sometimes as between government qua government and the national oil company. Lack of ability to implement a policy usually stems from inexperience in such matters as deciding what type of contractual arrangements are most suited to the country and its geology, as well as poor judgement of what will attract foreign companies.

v. **Political Risk**

Related to government policy is the question of the degree of political risk involved for the foreign oil company. Usually, if the geology is attractive enough, the political risk tends to be highly discounted. But in cases where the geology is moderately attractive or only marginally so, the political risk may be determining in either deterring some companies from taking any interest whatsoever, or in making those companies which are interested take only minimal exploration commitments. In some cases, drilling contractors are reluctant to undertake assignments for the oil companies with concessions in certain countries, unless they are insured by the companies against the risk of either having their equipment confiscated, or finding that they cannot get export

permits for it once it has completed the exploration program for which it was committed to the country.

vi. **Industry Structure**

Among the most important constraints on hydrocarbons exploration in OICDS is the structure of the international oil industry. Local capital and know-how are not available in the OICDS, and foreign companies must therefore be relied upon.

Historically, companies with an interest in exploring in Third World countries have come mostly from the United States and, to a lesser extent, from Canada and a few European countries. All of them have had and continue to have their main base of operations in their home countries, either as producers or refiners or marketers or both. Their interest in Third World oil has been first and foremost access to cheaper crude oil supplies for their markets in the industrial countries, and they have practically never had interest in exploration for oil to satisfy the local markets.

Usually, such local markets have been too small to rank in a company's order of priorities, as it surveys the likely geological prospects around the world and matches up its own resources against them. There have been exceptions, such as Brazil, Argentina, and India. But in the vast majority of cases the minimum size of geological prospect which attracts the foreign company is generally larger than the whole of the domestic market. The smaller deposits, which may satisfy local markets and be extremely important to the Third World country itself, are of little interest to companies big or small, because opportunities elsewhere are more attractive in terms of lead-time, in terms of limited technical and management resources available to a given company, and in terms of the size of the potential reward.

Indeed, in recent years, the balance of alternative opportunity has, if anything, swung against Third World countries as progressive decontrol of crude prices in the US and investment opportunities in Canada have made exploration there more attractive than previously, thus drawing away some of the resources that might otherwise have gone to Third World countries. It seems doubtful if many Third World countries will ever be in a position to attract companies prepared to

mount more than a minor exploratory effort (one or two rigs) in searching for fields whose potential production is not likely to be more than 2-3,000 b/d.

The combination of the factors enumerated above and, in particular, the structure of the industry, present a strong argument in favour of stimulating exploration through other means, whether out of official development assistance funds or otherwise. Some programs are already under way through the World Bank and the OPEC Fund for International Development, and proposals for larger programs are being considered.

The World Bank's current program of loans and grants to Third World

countries for energy-related projects amounts to US\$13.2 billion through 1985, of which \$2.7 billion are to be dedicated to petroleum. The Bank has proposed that these sums be doubled and that an energy affiliate be created which would raise much of the additional money required.

OPEC has approved in principle the creation of a joint fund with industrial countries to encourage energy resource development and general economic development in Third World countries. Action on this proposal is likely to be delayed until the present conflict between two OPEC members, Iran and Iraq, is resolved.

A regional project is under way to Central America and the Caribbean, under which Mexico and Venezuela have agreed to offer loans to nine countries with especially favourable conditions if the loans are used for developing indigenous energy resources.

Finally, there are a number of bilateral assistance projects, such as the financing by FR Germany of eight exploratory wells in Bangladesh, the loan by Algeria of a rig to Tanzania to drill a certain number of wells, and the agreement by Mexico to drill a number of exploratory wells in Costa Rica.

These are encouraging signs that the importance of the problem is starting to be recognised. But a much greater effort must be made if OPEC production of oil and gas is to be significantly *expanded* in the next two decades.

S. Energy Efficiency and Conservation

One of the major international theses at this time is the prospect that energy problems will seriously limit the economic growth of oil-importing countries, whether developed or developing. There is an overwhelming necessity for a major structural readjustment to improve efficiencies and conservation in the use of energy if energy supplies are going to be enough in our countries to support reasonable expectations of economic growth.

The largest potential source of energy supplies is the saving which can be derived from improved efficiency in energy use. This is the greatest positive solution for the global energy scene.

The world is faced with the choice of being forced into doing "less with less" or facing up to the challenge of doing "more with less." The phrase "energy conservation" to some (people has a *negative* connotation of deprivation and cuts in standards of living, which have acted adversely on the political enthusiasm to grapple with the issue of restraining energy demand. The positive approach is the phrase "improved efficiency." There is a broad array of measures which can be taken. Some of them can have a more effective economic return than investments in *high-cost* energy [supplies](#).

the past, they have not excited much attention. But now the signals of price and income constraints as well as some government incentives are beginning to be acted on by intermediate producers and consumers.

The largest absolute savings in energy consumption can and must be made in the industrialised countries. Their efforts will have the greatest impact on reducing unsupportable pressures on world oil supplies and on easing the transition to alternative energy sources. But it will be imperative for OPECs to make similar efforts if their *economic* prospects are not to be jeopardised. Even for the OPECs, there are *concerns* to stretch out the life of oil reserves not only by pacing their oil production but also by curbing domestic oil consumption through conservation measures and substitution of other fuels such as gas; these latter steps free oil for export to finance economic development.

i. Industrialised Countries

The industrialised countries are highly concerned at the prospect that energy supply constraints may dampen economic growth. The analysis in Chapter I drew attention to the latest expectations that energy supplies available to industrialised countries during the next two decades might expand only slowly (in the order of 1.5-2.0% p.a.). The energy coefficient targets expressed by the IRA, EEC, and the Seven at the most recent round of summits are probably overgenerous. The EEC is using 0.7 as a minimum in its guidelines for 1990, and the Seven and IEA expect the coefficient to be about 0.6. A central theme is the need to decouple the growth rate of energy demand from that of economic activity, if the latter is not to be lower and energy prices higher than caught.

The long-term prospects for large improvements in energy efficiency could be very promising. This is not easily quantified. But several recent studies have suggested that energy supplies at today's level or even lower could support reasonable economic growth through the next two or three decades. They include several studies for the United States (WNAES,^b Ford/RFF,^c Harvard Business School ^d RFr) and one for the United Kingdom (Leach et al.).

During the 1980s there is every prospect of a highly uncomfortable transition to the subsequent era of increased supplies of alternative energy to imported oil. Any encouraging recovery in economic growth in oil-importing countries could be nipped in the bud by the resultant acceleration in demand for imported oil, sharp increases in its real price, inflation and consequent deflationary government policies, together with the danger of restrictive trade practices. In other words, if there is inadequate

* The ratio expresses the percentage annual change in primary energy consumption to that in real GDP. It is, of course,

a highly rough and ready concept, and analysis has to be in-depth to be useful. Improvement in energy efficiency, there will be an economic downturn as a result of the energy constraint.

This has been part (though only part) of the story for industrialised countries since 1973. Price increases of imported oil have upset their balance-of-payments and level of economic activity, even in countries such as the United States where imports do not comprise a large segment of the economy. Industrialised countries are under great pressure in the short as well as the long-term to reduce oil imports by increasing efficiency in energy use. This is even true of countries with a strong export sector such as FR Germany and Japan, and of countries relatively self-sufficient in energy as Britain, Canada, and Norway which will thereby benefit by a slower depletion of domestic resources.

The prerequisite to improved energy efficiency is a realistic adoption by the public of a conservation-oriented society. It has been proven that more can be done with less, but the perceived effects of conservation are as important as the realities. This is the cause of the slow progress on conservation. More incentives are needed. The US and Canada have traditionally had larger houses, larger cars, and in general built more spread out cities, in contrast to other industrialised countries. To reverse such trends is difficult. There is undoubtedly a formidable obstacle in changing lifestyles and values to orient industrial society to a more energy efficient value system.

As mentioned in Chapter II, improved efficiency requires an appropriate energy pricing policy. All energy forms should be priced at their long-run marginal cost, which for most industrialised countries is the cost of imported oil. It is irrelevant that this cost is determined in the international market place. That is the going price of incremental energy. Too often one form of energy or another is subsidised at prices controlled below marginal cost; and hence the right price signals to consumers are missing which would have guided them towards more energy-efficient practices or towards alternative energy forms. Retail gasoline prices in North America are still less than half than in other industrialised countries. In a number of countries, natural gas prices and electricity rates still reflect average rather than long-term marginal costs, and declining block tariffs are still quite widespread.

If higher energy prices result in unwarranted profits to producers and inequities to low-income consumers, these problems can be addressed by solutions other than general price subsidies; solutions include investment incentives and windfall profits taxes for producers or relief measures for particular groups of consumers. If the price level for energy in oil-importing industrialised countries is below that of imported oil, it is usually unhelpful to restrict the increase in domestic energy prices to a rate lower than domestic inflation; or else real energy prices are just eroding, and the right signals are not reaching the consumer. The IEA's Review of 1978 pointed out that industrial countries are reluctant to allow

energy prices to increase or to impose energy taxes because of the effect on domestic inflation and industrial competitiveness. Yet as the Seven at Venice now point out, market forces should be supplemented where appropriate by effective fiscal incentives and administrative measures. They also point out that energy investment will contribute substantially to economic growth and employment.

There is a multitude of means to improve *energy* efficiency. They are listed in a number of publications including the annual IEA reviews and also in a recent study by Shell International on "Energy Efficiency." An IEA ministerial conference in October 1977 endorsed a series of principles for energy policy and referred to a list of suggested conservation measures. Subsequent meetings of the IEA, EEC "energy" council and the Seven have added new measures and principles. The potential benefits can be high but are hard to quantify. Those listed in the Shell publication are believed able to reduce overall energy per unit of economic activity by roughly 15-30%.

In residential and commercial sectors the greatest results are achievable from the integrated design of new buildings and from strengthened building codes. Next come insulation, reduction of draughts, effective incentives for retrofitting programs, minimum energy efficiency standards for appliances, boiler improvements, improved automatic controls for boilers and central heating, good heat management, waste heat recovery, heat pumps, and double glazing. Other measures include regulatory limits of indoor temperatures in summer and winter and of hot water temperatures, individual room thermostats, individual metering of gas, electricity, and hot water, wind screening by trees, solar hot water and solar space heating, switching off unused lights, closing curtains, and district heating from power stations' waste heat (where economically viable). In the transport sector, measures include incentives for public transport, mass transit systems, and increased use of rail freight. They also comprise smaller cars, minimum fuel efficiency standards, engine improvement, car weight reduction, drag reduction, and use of micro-processes to improve driving. Steps to rationalise production and marketing can eliminate cross-hauling. Other measures include speed limits, car pooling, mini-buses, improved routing, closed town centres, debottlenecking, and reduction of urban sprawl.

In the industrial sector the greatest results come from the integrated design of new processes. Next come effective incentives for *energy-saving* investments, the correct choice of energy type, good combustion technology, recovery of waste heat for pre-heating and space-heating, insulation, replacing steam by direct-firing techniques, cogeneration of heat and power, heat management, improved maintenance, improved buildings, manufacture of goods which last longer, and recycling of used materials.

In the energy sector, measures include incentives and regulations for district heating, cogeneration of heat and *power*, greater use of waste heat and waste products, full-cost tariffs for electricity generation, and domestic oil prices at prevailing world market levels.

The measures are evident, but the steps to implement them are slow. Certain "house-keeping" measures can be taken quickly, such as reduced road speeds and reduced use of indoor heating in winter and air-conditioning in summer. Others require capital investment of differing degrees. It takes time for past investment to be replaced. Hence there is the burden of existing infrastructure and the delay in installing new capital stock.

Delivered energy costs are only a small part of total costs, whether in the residential, commercial, transport, or industrial (other than energy-intensive) sectors. The effect of energy price increases has been diluted in the final delivered cost of economic goods. Inflation has augmented this dilution. The crux of the problem is with final consumers, who account for about half the energy used. But these consumers have to make the requisite energy-saving

investments, and must demand a very short pay-back time (say 2-3 years). They will therefore probably not touch good investments which require long-term amortisation. Governments need to make conservation attractive to individuals by reducing or subsidising the cost of conservation investments or by raising the cost of oil. There is also great potential in mandatory energy labelling; this permits consumers to choose products, taking into account energy costs.

A commonly used indicator of energy intensity is the aggregate ratio of a nation's energy consumption to GDP. The energy/GDP ratio provides a rough-and-ready but useful monitor of progress in conservation for individual countries or regions, as long as it is measured over a sufficiently long period of years. Some results seem to have been achieved since 1973, particularly in the last two years. Exxon's "World Energy Outlook" of December 1979 sees evidence that industrialised countries are at last reducing the energy intensity of their economies compared with the 1960s, perhaps by 6% in 1978 for the United States and 3% for other industrialised countries.'

Let it be said that the energy/GDP ratio should be used with great care in comparisons of one country's performance with another's, as it is not a good international measure of economic or energy efficiency.

Regarding economic efficiency, energy is only one input into the total of goods and services which comprise GDP. Inputs of capital, labour, and materials are much larger. Regarding energy efficiency, the energy consumed in a country relative to its GDP is affected by the economy's industrial composition. Thus a developed country dependent on energy-intensive heavy industry will use more energy than one dependent on agriculture.^{J,k}

Nevertheless, international comparisons can be helpful at the sectoral level,

provided they are treated as indicative and qualitative rather than precise and quantitative.

A nation will have a `rare energy-intensive economy than elsewhere when:

i) In the residential sector:

- a. its housing units are larger,
- b, the share of single dwelling units is larger, c. the climate is colder;

ii) In the transport sector:

- a. fuel and power prices and costs are lower,
- b. the passenger-mile volume relative to (GDP is larger,
- c. the fuel economy of its passenger car fleet is poorer,
- d, the share of public transport is lower,
- freight-transport volume relative to GDP is larger, f. the share of rail, pipelines, and waterways in Freight transport is lower;

iii) In the industrial sector:

- a. the share of extraction/manufacturing is greater;

iv) In the energy sector:

- a. the role of electricity is greater, and b. energy supply self-sufficiency is higher.

Even having allowed for economic structural differences among countries, energy intensities differ significantly, particularly between North America and other countries. The differences are particularly striking in passenger transport and industrial processes. The US consumes about 50% `rare energy relative to GDP than Western Europe or Japan. This higher energy intensity is reflected in almost all sectors, though more in some than in others; the greatest difference is in the transport sector (80%).*

As between

• It is important to make international comparisons of GDP using purchasing power parities rather than exchange rates; this has become more practicable through the recent series of studies of the UN International Comparisons Project (Krautz et al.).

Western Europe and Japan, there is considerable difference in all sectors except transport. Such differences between nations complicate efforts to coordinate policy and often confuse public perceptions.

It should come as no surprise that intensity in energy use in North America is by-and-large higher than in other industrial countries. There are *great* differences in energy prices, structure, geography, resources endowment, population, and tastes. However, some of these characteristics are showing signs of change, through higher energy prices or policy measures (taxes or subsidies) to restrain demand. Shifts towards enhanced fuel economy in cars, improved central heating practices, and use of public transport could reduce the North American/European differential by 15-20%.

There has been a great reduction since 1973 in the growth of energy consumption in industrialised countries. In part, this has been due to slower economic growth and at times recession, augmented by milder winters in some years. At the same time, there are also perceptible improvements in efficiency of energy use. Nevertheless, as noted in the IEA's Review of 1978, the merit of energy conservation continues to be under-estimated in most countries. There has been too much reliance on information and voluntary action. *Policy Measures* have often been held back by insufficient government funding and staffing and by government perceptions of economic and social constraints. In a few countries, comprehensive conservation programs are in place, but elsewhere most programs are inadequate. The EEC "energy" council in May 1980 passed a resolution including "Guidelines for a Basic Energy-Saving Programme," which cover fuel efficiencies in all economic sectors.¹

Strong action has typically not been adopted in contrast to the emphasis on accelerated development of energy supplies. The outlook for further substantial improvement is dimmed by failure to press aggressively for new conservation measures. There is *great* cause for concern that energy efficiency may be improved at too slow a rate in industrialised countries. Much more could be done to reduce energy demand without hampering economic growth, although the fear of doing so holds back industrialised countries.

In the residential/commercial sector, most industrialised countries have thermal efficiency standards of varying scope. Mandatory and, in some cases, stringent building codes for all new buildings are in place in the Scandinavian countries, FR Germany, and Italy, and are being prepared in Canada. The greatest savings could be obtained from retrofitting existing buildings. The IEA's 1978 Review contends that very strong and comprehensive programs are still limited to three countries (Denmark, the Netherlands, and Sweden). The EEC has initiated community-wide recommendations and directives on retrofitting and rational use of energy in nonindustrial buildings. In other countries there has been some strengthening of incentive programs. But elsewhere, programs have been accepted more slowly than hoped. In most countries, public funds for retrofitting are still very modest.

The introduction of steps to improve energy use has proven particularly slow in the transport sector. The necessary policy measures are known but are politically and socially not easy to implement. The greatest scope for improvement is in North America with its historical reliance on large powerful cars for personal transport in spread-out cities. Mandatory fuel efficiency targets have been set there and were strengthened in 1978. Voluntary programs have been announced by FR Germany, Japan, and the United Kingdom. Most industrialised countries outside North America tax gasoline heavily and vehicles by weight. But in most industrialised countries retail prices of gasoline declined in real terms

during the four years to 1978, giving the wrong price signals to the consumers. Since then, real prices have probably ceased eroding and they even have risen. Gasoline prices remain a politically sensitive issue.

Increased efforts are being made to expanding public transport systems. Their improvement is vital for energy saving. But their quality of service had typically been allowed to deteriorate with the fast expansion in the use of private vehicles, particularly in North America. But government action still for the most part looks half-hearted. There remains huge scope for expanded public transport in most countries.

In the industrial sector there appears to be increasing awareness of the financial benefits from improving efficiency. This is particularly evident in energy-intensive industries such as aluminum and steel-making. Some countries

have adopted voluntary energy-saving targets for energy intensive

industries, for instance Canada, Greece, Japan, United States. Governments have introduced incentives for energy-saving investments in a number of industrialised countries. Nevertheless, the services should

that efforts to promote energy

be expended, given that this sector is the largest energy consumer and is expected to show the greatest growth in the next decade.

In the energy sector, efforts are being made to reduce energy losses in electricity generation, transmission, and distribution. Some countries have introduced incentives for waste heat recovery, they encourage production of heat and electricity, and combined production of power, heat and seasonal electricity pricing have been adopted by many countries. But there remains a great deal to be improved in this sector.

ii. Developing Countries

There is need for a big increase in the technical efficiency of energy use in developing countries--using less primary fuels for each unit of useful output. Undoubtedly, however, many people in the developing countries

in the North) associate conservation with sacrifice and a lower

Standard of living. Some people in the developed countries

also believe that the talk of energy conservation is motivated

by a Northern desire to hold consumption down in the South, so that the North will have more.

Although it is true that there is much more waste in the industrialised countries than in the developing countries effort it does not mean that the developed countries should not use energy more efficiently.

In fact,

efficiency is even more important for developing countries than

the developed nations. To begin with, the price and availability of energy being what it is, the poor countries can least afford energy waste.

Second, using energy efficiently does not mean reducing economic growth or giving up pleasant

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Delectable energy

The pressing needs to find and develop new sources of oil as well as to conserve in its use have been described in Section 1 of this chapter. Strenuous efforts will help by providing mire time for the transition to a tanader array of *energy* options.

The next two decades will be faced with an era of transition towards the next generation of energy sources and technologies. *There* is needed to keep energy supply options open *wherever* possible. All planning must allow for Uncertainty. The world needs a diversity of energy sources; as there is a diversity of *energy* needs and as there are uncertainties surrounding each individual energy source. There is a danger of being locked into short-term palliatives. Hence a wide range of every kind of research and development is needed to retain flexibility of technical options. Moreover, some changes to the energy mix could be nude today with little adjustment to the existing capital stock. But more radical changes will take time to nuke the necessary structural

adjustments to the economy.

Yet, developed and developing countries alike have limited financial, technical, and manx wer resources to devote to energy. Not *every* energy process can or should be pursued;

each must be economically, socially and environmentally Justifiable.

The range of energy sources is very wide, as was already discussed in Chapter 1. It includes deposits of very *heavy* oil, tar-sands, and shales, as well as oil in Inlar regions or beneath deep water. Then there are enhanced recovery processes to improve the recovery of oil-in-place from existing and new fields beyond that from primary and secondary methods. Discovery of small fields will continue and may accelerate in nuny countries well into the next century; their cumulative impact could be great, and their

support to economies including those of oil-importing developing countries will be significant.

Natural gas is likely to nuke an increasingly large contribution to *world* energy supplies during the next two decades. Its potential looks far greater than had been surmised in earlier years. It has similar advantages to oil, except that it is less easy to store and has less transport

flexibility. Its role is likely to grow up to the limit set by supplies, as it is after all a depleting non-renewable resource.

Coal is plentiful but uninly limited to bulk heat end-uses, particularly electricity generation. Extending its range of applications presents a challenge. There are great opportunities for expansion of its use, but there are also serious economic, financial, and environmental uncertainties surrounding the race of its developnent.

Electricity is versatile in application, easy to use, and can be generated from a variety of sources. The nain ones today are fossil fuels, hydro, and nuclear power. Coal is becoming an increasingly favoured source for new power stations and existing thermal stations. The use of hydroelectricity is expected to continue growing, particularly in Canada and developing countries. Nuclear power has expanded fast. But the future expansion of both coal end nuclear could be constrained by a wide range of concerns in a number of industrialised countries. (See Chapter I.)

In view of the perceived constraints on accelerated developnent of the conventional forms of commercial energy, much lore serious attention is row beginning to be raid to the developnent of oil, gas, and coal supplies from non-conventional sources, as well as to the energy Cinderellas: conservation end renewable energy sources.

Oil-importing countries need to take long-term steps towards a) improved energy use and b) supply alternatives to conventional oil supplies.

The Seven at Venice, the EEC, and the IEA all expect or have set guidelines to

reduce oil as a share in energy consumption from 50-53% to 40% by 1990. Indeed the Seven foresees its collective consumption of oil to be below present levels by 1990 so as to permit a balance between supply and demand. IEA and the Seven sanguinely foresee by 1990 a doubling in the use of coal and an increase in the use of nuclear energy. The Seven have specifically said that their potential to increase the supply and use of energy sources other than oil over the next ten years is estimated at the equivalent of 10-20 million b/d o.e. daily. They agreed that no new base-load, oil-fired generating capacity should be constructed save in exceptional circumstances, and that their conversion of oil-fired capacity potboiler-other accelerated. Increased efforts are pledged saving investments and oil substitution by all means including fiscal incentives.

B. Research, Development, and Demonstration

Much use can be made of existing technologies. But in the long-run new and better technology must be developed

For energy conservation and supplies. This points fundamental importance of well-directed rational programs for energy research, development, and demonstration (RD&D).*

The ultimate goal of energy RD&D is to meet the longterm needs for energy and to open technological solutions to energy problems for incorporation into energy policy. Hence energy policy should provide clear guidelines for RD&D, and it should take better account of the supply and conservation options offered by RD&D.

i. Industrialised Countries

Not surprisingly, much of the work worldwide on energy RD&D programs is being done in the industrialised countries, by both governments and the private sector.

Virtually all the industrialised nations, except France, are members of the IEA, which introduced in 1977 an energy LaD system of annual reviews of its member countries' energy RD&D

Programs. By 1980 it had published a report Strategy for member countries and three annual reviews of national programs.^{a,b}

The IEA report of 1980 on "Energy LaD: a Strategic View" contains some significant policy guidelines for its member countries. Its conclusions for RD&D planning are that

* The following paragraphs on energy RD&D in the industrial - used nations draw greatly on publications of the IEA, European Community and UN Economic Commission for Europe.

the need for imports of conventional oil will decline during the years to 2020. During the first two decades the decline is mainly due to conservation and existing technologies, while thereafter new technologies for liquid fuels should begin to make a significant contribution. Nevertheless, the rate of decline in oil imports is expected to continue to leave countries vulnerable to

supply disruptions. The contribution of new energy technologies before 2000 may not reduce oil demand enough to avoid supply constraints, unless their introduction is accelerated.

The impact of new technologies for conservation can be as significant as new ones for supply. The report attaches high priority to RD&D efforts for coal and nuclear power. Some new technologies for renewable energy will begin to make substantial contribution before 2000. But those for non-renewable energy will provide most energy needs for the balance of this century, even if efforts are accelerated to introduce renewable ones.

The conclusion is that the pace should be accelerated to develop and bring new energy technologies to commercial use. A strategic view must be taken of requisite near-term action, taking into account their state of development and potential importance. Some technology will be at the exploratory stage, some at the stage of pilot-scale experiments, some at that of large-scale demonstration, and finally some ready to be brought into commercial use. Virtually all energy technologies have environmental impact, and this should be taken into account at all stages of their Development.

The deployment of *new* technologies can be affected by a wide range of non-technical issues. There is the need for rational pricing signals to assist the proper introduction of new technologies as well as conservation. If energy forms such as oil, gas, or even electricity are subsidised at prices below their long-term marginal costs, consumers have little incentive to turn to alternative energy forms which may be lower in cost but are priced to cover that cost. Social impacts need to be seriously considered. So does the availability of skilled labour, raw materials, infrastructure, land, and Water.

The IEA annual reviews assess how adequate the scope and character of national programs are in meeting energy needs, and they identify steps to strengthen these programs. All these countries have stated in some form or other their policies or aims for energy RD&D programs. But their statements are often so general that they offer little guidance to the long-term decision making necessary for these programs. Countries need at least to define priorities by technology areas. They should also identify which of these priority technologies they would try to develop themselves and Which they would import.

Is the aggregate level of present effort in industrialised countries enough to provide new technologies in time to offset the depletion of conventional resources and the risk of disruption to oil supplies? This looks unlikely at the present pace of development.

The annual reviews illustrate that IEA countries have increased their government support of energy RD&D substantially, by 113% in real terms from 1974 to 1978. The United States is dominant; its funding represented half the total in 1978 and grew particularly strong (by over 200%) during the period. Hence the growth in other IEA countries was much less (45%), and some even spent less in 1978 than in earlier years. The size of the

effort varies greatly from country to country. Population, type of economy, and energy intensity inevitably lead to different efforts.

Official funding of energy RD&D in industrialised countries is dominated by nuclear programs. In 1978 IEA governments devoted 31% of these funds to conventional nuclear fission, 20% to fast breeders, and 9% to nuclear fusion.

In contrast, they allocated less than 9% to renewable energy (solar, wind, ocean, biowass, and geothermal). Moreover, the United States accounts for about three-quarters of the renewables effort. There are considerable differences of national view as to the potential of renewable energy technologies. Most of the funds for renewable energy are spent on large-scale applications that will be of little use to rural people who need decentralised energy sources.

The effort devoted to coal technology continues to increase. But in the TEA view these increases are not enough to provide a proper balance of coal RD&D relative to other conventional fuel systems.

By far the greatest government efforts are spent on supply technologies. In 1978 TEA governments allocated only B% of their energy RD&D budgets to conservation. These efforts look woefully small. RD&D financed by private industry is thought to be much greater in this area. Moreover, some official funding of RD&D into energy-related supporting technologies (power conversion and transmission, energy storage, environmental protection and safety, energy systems analysis, and basic energy research) has some impact on conservation improvements.

Industrially financed RD&D makes an important contribution to national programs. It is much directed towards product improvement. But it includes significant work on technologies for energy conservation, enhanced recovery of hydrocarbons, and some supporting technologies. The TEA reviews comment that RD&D on non-conventional oil deposits still receive less emphasis by governments and industry than their worldwide potential would warrant.

The RD&D results could be greatly increased without corresponding cost increases if there were reliable arrangements *tide* for exchanging information, materials, and personnel, and for pooling research results.

In this regard, it is of interest that in 1979 an International Energy Technology Group was created under the auspices of the EEC and OECD/IEA, with participation from 14 industrialised countries. Its purpose was to define priorities by technology areas in the field of new *energy* sources, to examine current and planned projects, and to look for potential areas of international collaboration. The Group came up with four conclusions. First, a program of commercialising new technologies is needed. Second, international cooperation is needed in areas where commercialisation is not possible without government support, specifically coal liquefaction, heavy oils, tar-sands and shale, biotass, high calorific coal gasification, natural gas liquids, and coal combustion. Third, there is need

for government efforts to reduce risk and improve financial incentives. Fourth, there is need to monitor the commercialisation of new energy technologies.

Recently, multilateral programs have been initiated by the UN agencies and international financial institutions to assist developing countries in their efforts to make the transition from oil to other energy sources. The UN Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy in 1981 will focus especially on these issues.

Industrialised nations have expressed willingness to assist developing countries bring into use technologies related to renewable energy, as at the Tokyo summit meeting of seven major countries. Such initiatives could have great potential.

This is also a two-way street, as some developing countries have been making significant technological breakthroughs, from which industrial countries have much to learn. Examples include Brazil's program to produce liquid fuels from biomass and PR China's production of biogas units to produce gas and fertiliser from animal and vegetable wastes.

ii. Developing countries

For the developing countries, alternative energy includes small-scale, decentralised renewable energy, as well as commercial energy used in the modern sector such as gas, oil, coal, and large-scale electricity from whatever source. It includes inherently decentralised renewable energy sources (DRE) such as wind, flowing water in small streams, biomass, and sunshine. These energy sources have characteristics that make them especially interesting for Third World countries.

First, they are inherently decentralised to the rural areas where most Third World people live (except for Latin America where slightly less than half live in rural areas). This is important because the distribution of centrally produced energy (e.g., electricity and diesel fuel) to rural areas has proved to be a problem in many countries. A World Bank report of 1975 estimated that only 4% of the rural people of Africa lived in areas served by electricity and the pace of

Extension seemed *very* slow (World Bank, "Rural Electrification," p.11).

Second, the costs of certain technologies to collect and use DE are not expected to rise as rapidly as oil, and the costs of at least one technology (photovoltaics) are expected to decline. In most regions one or more of these renewable sources are likely to be plentiful.

Third, the long-term future of oil does not seem bright and even the short and medium-term outlook is uncertain. This adds to the interest in technologies that can collect and convert into usable form the generally very ample renewable supply of locally available energy.

Despite these evidences of promise especially *for* application in remote areas, renewable energy needs a great deal more research and site testing before its full promise becomes evident.

The concepts and technologies developed in laboratories need to be tested in actual village sites in order to learn reliably how well they work, what they cost in terms of actual village work performed, how well they are accepted, operated, and maintained by the people and institutions of the villages, and how best they can be introduced into villages. In addition there needs to be a great deal of survey work to learn of the quantity and reliability of various kinds of primary energy present at the village level in the Third World. This would include surveys of the wind regimes at various sites, small stream flow data, insulation, and estimates of biomass.

Optimally, research, site testing, and collection of data on local energy availability should be conducted by one or more institutions of each developing country. This calls for financial and technical support from those institutions by industrialised countries and international donor agencies.

A growing amount of research and development of DBE is under way in the laboratories of industrialised and developing countries. The bulk of the funding for this kind of *work* comes from industrialised countries, and most of the actual laboratory work is done in those same countries. There is an opportunity for mutual benefit if Northern RD&D funds were used to finance certain kinds of DBE research in the developing countries. In some cases the costs would be lower, while the research results could be equally or more effective for the Northerners who were to finance the work. There could be an added benefit that Southern RD&D institutions would be strengthened as a result.

There is momentum for strengthening existing or creating new international machinery to deal with this topic. Proposals have been made for an International Energy Institute (Kissinger, UN Seventh Special Session), a "Global Energy Research Centre" (Brandt Commission Report), a Solar Energy Fund (Overseas Development Council), or a Fund for Renewable Energy Enterprise (Hins et al., Foreign Affairs, July 1980). Such a proposed new institution might be a research center, a leader agency knitting together the various renewable energy researchers into a network, a central information bank, a monitor and critic of existing research, a fund to finance promising RD&D in the Third World, or a combination of the above and other ingredients.

Beyond research, site testing, and primary energy data collection, there will soon be a need for mechanisms to finance the distribution to Third World villages of the kinds of technologies that are proved in laboratories and site tests to be the most promising. In many cases the best distribution system may be private entrepreneurs who see a chance to make a profit by selling equipment and providing spare parts, training, and repair services to keep it functioning. In other cases the distribution system may need to be governmental. In either case, government action may be needed to collect information, provide financing, and train people to help technologies move from laboratories and test sites to widespread village use.

Offers by industrialised countries to conduct a major new program of assistance to

Third World countries for DRE could form part of a package for negotiations of oil and related subjects. This might also be linked to initiatives now under consideration by OPEC and industrialised countries to help OICDs find and develop indigenous energy resources.

CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

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MEETING THE ENERGY NEEDS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Human material progress is dependent upon the use of energy. Without sufficient amounts of energy in usable forms and at affordable prices, there is little prospect for improving the conditions of the majority of the people in the world. The inability of the poor to use adequate and efficient energy leads to low productivity and low incomes. And because of their low incomes, the poor cannot afford to use more and high quality energy to increase their productivity and they remain poor. They are in a vicious circle.

In many countries the oil price increases have most seriously affected the poorest segments of the societies. For instance, the sudden increases in international oil prices have affected the retail price and availability of kerosene, the commercial fuel mostly used by the poor. When kerosene became expensive the poor returned to using wood and charcoal, thereby driving the prices of these commodities up. Because energy costs take a very high percentage of the poor's income, the price increases tend to be very damaging. Furthermore, it was the poor who were the first to be laid off as a result of curtailed industrial activities that followed the oil price increases. Agriculture has also suffered from higher fuel and fertiliser costs creating food shortages and higher food prices that mainly affect the poor. In order to be able to pay for the increasing oil prices, many countries were forced to cut back on imports of other essential commodities, thereby lowering their growth rates. The drop in economic growth affected the poor seriously in countries which seek to alleviate poverty through higher growth.

The consequences of heavy reliance on non-commercial fuels is also negatively affecting the poor. In addition to the price increases for wood and charcoal, the expanding deforestation, devegetation, declining water tables, soil erosion, silting, and flooding are leading to shortages in food supplies with consequences of hunger and famine to the poor. Deforestation also leads to desertification with all its consequences on the ecosystem in general and food and firewood production in particular.

The energy problems of developing countries are so serious and so complex that they cannot be tackled without massive help from the international community. Assistance is needed by the LDCs to overcome energy related constraints to their development efforts.

A. Assistance in Energy Development

The energy problem is basically a global problem. The availability and

price of oil, for instance, affect most every country. It is in the self-interest of every nation to see that as many countries as possible find and develop oil, develop substitutes for it, and conserve energy. This will prolong the availability of oil, so that the world has time to develop successors to oil. Moreover, the world's ability to find successors to oil depends on the quality and amount of RD&D of new technologies and on the efficiency with which different countries coordinate such work. The Third World's participation in RD&D projects and the strengthening of its RD&D capabilities will contribute to this global effort. Furthermore, our planet's energy problem, if not well managed, may lead to counting ecological damage. It is in the interest of every nation to prevent such damage.

The developing world stands in need of help, and the international community can render timely and essential assistance for energy development in the Third World. In the following paragraphs we will point out some of the types of actions that donors can undertake.

B. A Basic Energy Assessment

To begin with, sound policies depend on a good grasp of the relevant facts about resource availability and demand, consumption pattern, development strategy, technological capability, etc. In other words, good energy planning begins with a comprehensive and detailed energy assessment.

The easiest and least valuable way to conduct an assessment is for aid-giving agencies to send technicians who prepare the assessment and turn it over to the host country. A harder way but one that is incomparably more valuable is for host country technicians to prepare the assessment with the help of experts from the industrialised countries. Beyond the clear developmental value of developing host country assessment skills, confidence, and pride, an additional reason for favouring this approach follows from the fact that any assessment begins to obsolesce the day it is written. To be relevant, an assessment must be continually updated and re-evaluated as resource estimates, prices, development plans, and technologies change. Since aid donors cannot supply permanent assessment teams the best course is to help the host country develop the institutional ability to make its own continuing assessment.

A number of energy assessments have been undertaken under various aid programs. A common failing of such assessments has been that they have ignored or treated inadequately the non-commercial and especially the rural energy scene. Above all, they have not dealt adequately with the transcendent Third World energy problem, that of fuelwood. The Third World institutions that will make future energy assessments should be adequately equipped to treat these neglected areas.

A good assessment of present and prospective energy supply and demand is only the starting point for energy policy planning. The developing countries need institutions and experts who can evaluate these facts, identify

alternative courses of action, weigh them, and choose among them. This is a task that is too intimately connected with internal political, social, and economic factors to be performed by outsiders. But outsiders can advise, and they can help train a corps of technicians who can supply the analysis needed.

Before undertaking the project demand for energy in the future, one needs a reasonably accurate estimate of current demand and consumption patterns. With respect to modern sectors of developing countries, where energy is distributed in a formal market, there is some information, although it is markedly less complete and reliable than comparable data in the industrialised countries. But for the traditional energy sector--mostly rural areas lot including urban slums as well--the picture in the Third World is quite different. There is virtually no quantitative information on traditional energy consumption, since most such energy is used directly by the gatherer of the fuel or owner of the animal and never enters into a formal market place; hence, the concept of demand is not very applicable. The first need is to learn something about current energy use in the traditional areas. But even if complete and reliable information on the present use of energy were available, there would be special problems in making projections in the Third World for several reasons. To begin with, there is the problem of predicting the pace of economic growth, a problem that is similar to but greater in intensity than that faced in industrialised countries. This is because economic growth in developing countries which produce primary goods fluctuates even more than in industrialised countries.

Even more of a problem is presented by another variable, the development strategy chosen by the developing country. For example, a national decision to emphasise import-substituting or labour-intensive exporting industries will call for different kinds and amounts of energy than a commitment to agriculture and rural development. Moreover, the pace of population growth and the rate of migration to urban areas are also variables that pose problems. The rate of decline in available traditional fuels and the rate at which people substitute modern energy sources for traditional fuels also complicate assessment efforts. While virtually nothing precise is known about the speed of this substitution, the direction is generally clear: it nearly always takes the form of oil. One final complication in projecting is that so little is known about the potential for conserving energy in the Third World. It is possible that a concerted effort to improve efficiency of energy use could yield greater results in the short run than any equivalent effort at producing more energy.

All of these complications suggest two courses of action. First, countries must have their own capabilities to make projections, because projections must be constantly updated. The reason for this is that several of the variables discussed above are volatile and must be reassessed frequently. If a donor country were to send a team in to make a projection of demand, that projection would begin to become outdated as soon as it was

completed. To be sure, some outside help will be needed in many cases and that suggests our second course of action: the outside assistance should come from those who--in addition to knowing energy--are steeped in those developmental variables that make projecting so complicated in the Third World. A person whose entire experience has been in making energy demand projections in industrialised countries would have to acquire a great deal of knowledge about developing countries before he would be of much use in making a projection in a developing country.

C. Exploring and Producing Oil and Gas

One of the promising methods of alleviating the energy problem in the medium-term is to help develop indigenous energy resources in the OWEs. Oil and gas exploration and development offer excellent opportunities for foreign assistance in the energy field. Some geologists claim that more than 40% of the world's prospective oil reserves is in these countries. Yet, only about 5% of the world's investment (excluding centrally planned economies) in petroleum exploration--virtually all of which is private investment--now takes place in the non-OPEC developing countries. The industrialised countries can, therefore, encourage the exploration and development of oil in the OWEs. Because rent' private companies, for various reasons, have shown reluctance to invest in oil exploration in many of these countries, their governments can encourage them to undertake the investment. This could be done by such measures as guaranteeing the investment, giving tax breaks, and providing soft loans. In situations where the foreign companies are not attracted to invest at the initial stages, international institutions can help the host countries to take all or part of the risk of exploration.

Because technological capacity is one of the things that the OWEs lack, there is a need for the industrialised world to help in the development and application of various technologies. In the exploration for petroleum, one area in which the developed countries can help is in undertaking the very important geological and geophysical surveys. The survey information is *very* valuable in negotiations between governments and the companies that might be interested to invest. Both sides will have a better knowledge of the prospects and probable commercial value of any oil and gas that may be found. Accurate knowledge of what they have to offer will also strengthen the bargaining position of the countries concerned.

An important task in this area is meeting the urgent need of these countries to train their nationals as engineers, geologists, and others capable of performing geological and geophysical surveys and interpreting results. Once commercial scale reserves are found, training is needed for engineers and chemists able to produce and refine oil, and oil economists and lawyers able to produce the analysis on which a sound development policy can be tried. Such training and institution building activities should be included among the highest priorities of bilateral and multilateral aid programs.

OPEC countries could also help in the effort to develop the oil reserves of the OICDS'. OPEC can help the developing countries by advising them on how to get the best possible deals from the oil companies, by providing finance for initial surveys and exploratory drilling, by giving them advice on contractual matters, and by cooperating with other international institutions, like the World Bank, which promote the exploration and development of oil in the LDCs. OPEC can also enter into joint ventures in co-financing oil development with oil companies and/or developing country governments.

D, Developing Substitutes for Oil

In the long run, developing more plentiful substitutes for oil in developing countries will be more important than finding or conserving oil. Energy sources like coal and hydroelectricity where they exist could be utilised more extensively. Other renewable energy sources could also be developed.

Although coal is vastly more abundant than oil and gas, its development in the OICDS faces a number of serious problems, including lack of data on the resource base, heavy infrastructural and other requirements, and serious environmental hazards. Assistance from bilateral and multilateral agencies could help developing countries make surveys, train personnel to undertake basic tasks such as preparing the technical and economic analysis to determine whether and if so how to develop their coal supplies, and help secure the financing required to do so.

With over 60% of the world's major hydroelectric potential located in the developing world, hydroelectric development will continue to have a significant future role. Because conventional hydroelectric projects are typically very large, they face both capital availability constraints and the problem of concentration of demand for their large power output. Although the number of large hydropower projects *cannot* be *expected* to increase *very* rapidly, such plants will be an important electric power alternative, especially to oil-powered *thermal* power plants. This warrants increased aid in preparing project plans to seek financing as well as larger capital resources for loans to worthy projects.

An even less exploited potential for water *power* lies in the many possibilities for medium-sized and even small installations. This is especially relevant, given the predominantly rural distribution of most developing countries' populations. Aid donors can provide funds for preparing feasibility studies of hydrosites, identify suitable locations, and finance dams and power installations.

The most prevalent form of energy now used in most developing countries is renewable energy. Even for the world as a whole, renewable sources in old and new forms will eventually become the dominant energy sources. The

research and development of small-scale renewable energy technologies need much greater attention and funding. An effort of great value in assessing the real worth of renewable energy resources could be a special international cooperative program for RD&D on DRE that could substitute for and eventually succeed some uses of oil. The technology would, of course, be available for application anywhere in the world, but the justification for such a program should acknowledge that the most and perhaps most frequent application of the resulting technology probably would be in the Third World.

A related area of mutually beneficial cooperation on new and renewable energy resources is the testing and demonstration of renewable energy equipment on the farms and in villages, market towns, and urban slums of the developing countries. Such tests and demonstrations are essential steps in the evolution of DRE technology. Because many of the LDC do not have the financial resources, the technological knowhow and the institutional capabilities to undertake such activities, assistance from donor agencies is highly valuable.

Aid agencies can also help in the dissemination of information and distribution of new technologies.

As the intended beneficiaries are mainly the poor, rural dwellers of these countries, the development of efficient distribution methods is highly crucial. Aid agencies can be helpful in the marketing and distribution process in a number of ways.

First, they help the country to gather the facts on local needs, preferences, and primary energy availability. Surveys will be needed of such conditions as available local stream flow, sunshine, wind, and organic materials in order to determine what DRE devices might be usable in a particular locality. The aid input might take the form of funds and advisors to help indigenous institutions to conduct the survey.

Second, aid programs could help build or strengthen essential institutions, such as extension services, small credit services, and marketing facilities. Aid programs could also help finance imports of DRE equipment and provide local currency for small credit programs. In all cases, great effort should be made to strengthen the institutions of the LDC capable of performing research on and development of new technologies or adapting industrialized countries' technologies to meet their own needs.

E. **Afforestation**

The declining availability of traditional fuels is one of the critical energy problems facing the developing world. Not only is firewood a very important fuel source, becoming more scarce and expensive, but the side effects of deforestation on food production and the environment carry with them high economic costs. The burning of animal dung and crop

wastes is resulting in the loss of soil nutrients and **declining** food and wood production. Finding alternative sources of energy, therefore, will not only alleviate the energy problem but also help increase food production and contribute towards the checking of desertification. If the conditions of rural energy are neglected and ignored the result could be serious ecological problems with far reaching implications of global dimensions.

Assistance is required for programs of afforestation, fuelwood plots, improved stoves, and better charcoal kilns.

Aid agencies can provide funds, technical advice, technicians, and volunteers to help with forestry programs. They can help find and develop substitutes for firewood. They can also help develop better and efficient stoves, find ways of efficient charcoal production, and undertake research, try, develop and test new varieties of fast growing wood and perhaps other biomass forms of fuel.

F. Energy Conservation

Although energy waste in the developing countries is not as great as in the industrial nations, there is the need to conserve. The problem is generally one of a lack of skills and capital to improve the level of efficiency. While the poor can least afford to consume energy wastefully, they can also least afford the cash investment that is needed to make energy productivity more efficient. Aid agencies can contribute to energy conservation. For example, they can sponsor studies of energy losses inherent in current practices, finance and undertake surveys of plant layout and equipment, finance the development of more efficient equipment, and train nations in all aspects of conservation.

To a great extent, the developing countries have weathered the increases in oil prices in the 1970s and the resulting recession better than *was feared*. In spite of all the problems, the LDCs, by and large, have been successful in avoiding disasters so far. They *have* been able to adjust *more* easily than anticipated. But many experts doubt that they can in future continue to adjust as easily and avoid economic damage.

In the long run, the developing countries will have to make fundamental structural adjustments to the energy problems. Governments will have to reassess their development strategies, people will have to change their consumption patterns, and changes will have to be made in the economic structure. In addition to increasing the domestic production of energy and finding alternative *energy* sources, these countries will have to restructure their export and import sectors, adopt more energy efficient patterns of development, and become self-reliant. Each country will have to make a clear and thorough analysis of its problems and priorities and chart out its long-term adjustment programs accordingly.

However, since such structural adjustments are difficult and costly to make, there is an urgent need for massive international assistance. The international community should provide help not only for the sake of the

OIDCs, but because it is in the self-interest of every nation to do w.

4. IMPROVED INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON ENERGY

Such topics as food, health, communications, and environment are given careful and systematic attention at the international level by one or more international bodies. Some experts in the energy field have urged that a special international organisation be created to do the same for energy. Whether additional machinery is needed is not a suitable subject for this framework report. However, it may be helpful to identify the kinds of problems in the field of energy that are not adequately manageable at the national level but need attention at the international level, either by existing or possibly by new bodies.

A. A Forum for Southern Views on Energy

The industrialised countries of the North have found it useful to consult with one another frequently on the subject of energy. There are consulting and cooperative arrangements on oil supply, on R&D on new technologies, on conservation, and, of course, on nuclear power (often involving only the nuclear nations). The South is excluded from most of these arrangements. OIDs need to be included in a world-wide forum where they may express their views on subjects like energy waste in the North, the management of oil pricing systems, nuclear rules imposed by the IAEA or unilaterally by the nuclear power countries, and the global allocation of energy R&D funds.

R. Third World Oil Supply Security

One of the important functions of the IEA is to maintain a contingency plan for dealing with politically caused oil supply shortages. Under that plan, members undertake to restrain consumption, build contingency stocks, and share continued oil flows in case of a shortfall. There is no such plan for the oil importing developing countries. An international agency could be asked to establish such a plan or at least to monitor the IEA plan to ensure that, in the event of a crisis, it does not harm the interests of these countries.

C. World Energy Balance Sheet

In the field of world food supply, it has been very useful for the FAO to write out and publish, from time to time, a balance sheet on world food. A similar service in the international energy field would be useful. Such a service would assemble known data on current and potential energy supply, demand, costs, investment levels, technologies, and national and sub-national needs. It would prepare analytical think pieces on such topics as international energy balances and merging energy problems for the guidance of the nations of the world.

D. Finance For Renewable Energy Development Within the Third

World

Just as there is an agency (IAEA) to promote nuclear *energy*, so there might be a special international solar (or renewable) energy assistance program. Essentially, it would support fact gathering, site testing of DRE equipment, training, and institution building; and it would finance or subsidise the distribution of the more promising DBE equipment based on site test results and other data.

E. Exchange of Information on RD&D Results for DRE Technologies

The existing network of researchers on international food issues might serve as a nodal for the world of DRE research. Already, our contacts with researchers in many Third World countries make clear their feeling of isolation and their need for a systematic means of keeping up with the work of other researchers. One task for international energy machinery may be to establish and monitor such an information exchange mechanism.

CRAFTER IV: A FRAMEWORK FOR ENERGY POLICIES IN OIL IMPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

In this chapter we examine the main energy supply options for OICDS in the medium term, i.e., during the next 10-15 years. These include oil, gas, coal, nuclear, hydro and geothermal power.

In Section 1 supply options for external energy are considered. The main conclusion is that trade in oil will decline in importance but will or may be partly substituted by coal, gas, and electricity. In particular, there may be increasing exchanges of gas and electricity among bordering countries or entire regions.

In Section 2 supply options for domestic energy are reviewed in light of what is known or inferred regarding OICDS' energy potential. The main conclusion is that with adequate policies most OICDS, particularly those which are medium sized or larger, could become much more self-sufficient and in some cases exporters of energy. This is because they contain within their territories energy resources which are significant for their medium-term needs. An analysis is made source by source.

In Section 3 an attempt is made to project *how* the situation of energy dependency could change over the next 10-15 years. OICDS are grouped by degree of energy self-sufficiency now and in the future. At the same time, a second type of classification is attempted in terms of the kinds of external assistance which these countries may need to overcome their problems. These are divided into: i) technical assistance from official institutions, ii) financial assistance from official institutions, iii) foreign private investment and know-how, and iv) financial assistance from private banks.

1. EXTERNAL SUPPLY OPTIONS

A. Oil

During 1950-73 the bulk of new energy supplies for the non-communist world, particularly Western Europe, Japan, and the OIPCs, was provided by rapidly growing oil production from a small group of oil-producing countries, members of OPEC.

Oil was abundant, convenient, and required relatively low investments for its production, transport, processing, and use. Furthermore, it was sold at a price lower than that of coal, becoming a significant factor in the unprecedentedly rapid economic expansion which Europe, Japan, and many Third World countries experienced during the period. However, this was at the risk of becoming simultaneously excessively dependent on oil and on imports for the energy needs of their economies.

Since the Middle East war of 1973 and more so since the Iranian revolution of 1979, a fundamental change has taken place. Briefly, this change consists in the adoption by OPEC members of very determined conservation policies. These are aimed at lengthening the life of their oil resources and increasing their value to the level of eventual substitutes (e.g., synthetics). The rationale for these policies has been discussed elsewhere. It must be accepted that it is basically sound from their viewpoint. Moreover, it is also in the longer-term interest of the oil consumers. This is because the transition to a non-oil era is unavoidable, needs several decades to be accomplished, and could be more painful if it did not start with enough time for carrying out the search and implementation of acceptable alternatives.

Because of the new policies of OPEC, oil importers have no effective choice and must accept the following constraints:

- i) There will be little or no increase in oil supplies from OPEC sources. In fact, there may be a gradual decrease.
- ii) External oil supplies will stay at a high price. This price is likely to increase even further, until substitutes may be sufficiently available to satisfy the world's additional energy needs, in particular those of developing nations.
- iii) Oil supplies and prices will most probably be subject to violent but hopefully short-term fluctuations. This will result from likely but unpredictable political, social, and technical accidents, due to the intrinsic vulnerabilities of the supply system.

Chapter I indicated that international trade in other energy sources is likely to increase. Some of these sources will be significant to OINCS and should be kept in mind when analysing energy options.

B. Gas

Natural gas *can* be moved by sea in the form of LCG or by land in

pipelines. Regarding LNG, the high investment costs of liquefaction, transport, regasification, and distribution make this option of little interest to post OIBCs. Only large consumers with no cheaper alternatives could choose this option. They may include Brazil, Korea, and Rep. of China (Taiwan), though Brazil in particular could obtain gas by pipeline from neighbouring countries such as Bolivia and Argentina.

The option of importing gas by pipeline may be of much greater interest. It is usually possible to purchase the gas at a lower price than oil (both seller and buyer may lack better viable alternatives), and investments are also considerably lower.

As already noted, situations of this type may arise between Brazil, Bolivia, and Argentina. They may also arise between Uruguay and Argentina, and between (Central American countries and Mexico to the north or Colombia to the south. In South Asia it could happen between Pakistan and India, as well as between Bangladesh and India (in both cases India the purchaser). In the Middle East, it could happen between Turkey and Iraq or Iran, and between Egypt, Israel, and Jordan (should peace ever come to that area). In North Africa it could happen between Algeria and Tunisia (taking advantage of the pipeline to Italy). West Africa could eventually be linked by gas pipelines, particularly around Nigeria.

C. Coal

Imports of coal from both industrial (Australia, Canada, South Africa, and US) and developing countries (such as Botswana, Colombia, and Indonesia) may be a very attractive option in terms of cost per unit of energy, particularly for power generation and industrial uses (cement, glass, etc.). Security of supply and attractive prices might be obtainable on the basis of long-term contracts. In some cases, especially for large consumers, it could make sense for OIBCs to buy coal mines in foreign countries, as some European countries are doing in the US. Brazil in fact has tried to have an equity position in Colombian coal developments. Korea and Rep. of China could seek the same in such countries as Australia and Indonesia.

Coal trade development in OIBCs will require careful planning, as the infrastructure for unloading, transporting, and burning coal is generally non-existent and costly. In this sense, trade in coal has some of the characteristics of LNG; moreover, coal has greater flexibility and lower investment.

D. Nuclear Fuels

There are a number of OIBCs (e.g., Argentina, Brazil, India, Korea, Pakistan, Philippines, Rep. of China), which are *or may* become users of nuclear energy in the 1980s. Most of them will need to import nuclear fuel, because they lack either the raw material or the enrichment facilities. The nuclear option is

expensive and technologically complex. At the present time, it is available and competitive with oil --and in some instances coal--only for very large power plants, at least 600 MW if not higher. This means that only a few, though some of the largest, developing countries would be justified, on economic grounds alone, to go for this option.

Contrary to the case in which a country possesses gas or coal resources, the availability of domestic uranium resources is not sufficient to justify following the nuclear option. Uranium represents a minor proportion of the cost of nuclear power, and it is more logical to consider it as a possible source of export revenues (as oil) rather than a source of domestic energy.

Another possibility is to import electric energy from neighbouring countries. In some cases, it *may* be to import other countries' large surpluses which cannot be used locally (e.g., ongoing projects to export from Paraguay to Argentina and Brazil; and possibly Nepal to India). In other cases, it may be through better regional planning (e.g., the interconnected system under review by the Central American countries, which allows optional generation and transmission line scheduling).

The conclusions of this section are that:

i) OICs could face very tight supplies of foreign oil. They could be competing with the rest of the world (and among themselves) for very limited additional global supplies. Unless they can secure special treatment from suppliers on a government-to-government basis, the competition will be largely on a market-determined basis, and the stronger buyers will more likely be favoured. There is serious danger that OICs will get relatively less and pay relatively more than the industrial countries and CPEs.

ii) OICs should therefore investigate and pursue other less constrained external sources of energy, especially coal, gas, nuclear, or hydropower. In particular, gas and electricity from neighbouring countries, brought in by pipeline and transmission lines, may prove quite attractive and equally beneficial to the importer and exporter.

iii) Nevertheless, development of domestic supplies and efficient use of energy are the main options to be pursued. Imported oil, which was in the past and is still the most important source for many OICs, cannot be expected to support their future energy needs.

This leads us to examine the domestic energy resources of OICs and the policies which they *may* adopt to develop them. The issue of energy efficiency and conservation was discussed in Chapter III.

2. INTERNAL SUPPLY OPTIONS

The pre-1973 availability of low-cost oil from external sources provided little incentive for the exploration and exploitation of domestic resources. Generally speaking, most countries concentrated in the area of hydroelectric generation, which was usually competitive, especially for the supply of

urban and industrial markets. Coal development outside India has been very limited and has mostly been a carry-over of the era before World War II. As for oil and gas, efforts by the international oil industry were concentrated in a few exceptionally promising areas with a clear potential for exports. In the OIICs, the work was done essentially by national oil companies, in part because of these countries' dissatisfaction with the level of effort and investment which foreign companies appeared able and willing to make at various critical points in time. These foreign companies were, of course, pursuing a global optimisation and moved to countries which offered better geological prospects as well as financial terms. This was what happened in some countries of Latin America (e.g., Argentina, Brazil, Chile) as well as India and Pakistan. For these reasons, the crisis of 1973 caught OIICs generally weak and unprepared to face effectively the new situation, in terms of organisation, management, and technical skills, as well as knowledge of their potential energy resources. Part of this gap could have been covered by international development banks and other aid organisations, but these also were initially unequipped in terms of staff and policy to be very effective. Only in 1977 was the World Bank able to start a proper response in this area, to be followed later by others.

In view of these national and official aid weaknesses, it was clear that any quick response to the crisis must turn to external sources for the financial and policy means to secure the necessary skills. These skills are for

* Issues regarding rural non-commercial energy in developing countries have been discussed in chapters II & III.

The first part available only in the industrial world's energy companies, particularly in the areas of oil, gas, coal, and nuclear development. In trying to secure these skills, OIICs are competing i) with pressures in industrial countries for increased domestic efforts, ii) with claims and requests of OPEC countries, iii) with other established exporters which have more negotiating strength and leverage, and iv) among themselves.

Many OIICs appear to be unaware of this situation or unable to cope with it: one for ideological reasons, others because of political divisions and weaknesses, and others because of explicit opposition or more frequently effective foot-dragging by their national oil companies, which would like to maintain their predominant role, no matter what the cost in risks and delays to the country as a whole. Even if most OIICs adopt optimal policies a) in the long-term to attain a national implementation capability, and b) in the short- and medium-term to accelerate energy exploration and development, they would still face very serious obstacles, for reasons which are worth repeating:

- i) modest development and export prospects relative to OPECs,
- ii) weak local infrastructure, physical and human, and iii) investors' concern with political instability and non-commercial risks.

To overcome these obstacles needs enlightened, pragmatic, and stable government policies. It also requires (until these policies become credible for countries with poor records) the sort of de facto international guarantee which can be given by institutions including the World Bank and other development banks as "third parties."

It is taking a long time for these ideas to gain ground in all the parties involved: OICs, development institutions, and industry. But there are signs that progress is finally being made.

As for the past period of 1973-78, it is clear that the efforts of industry have been concentrated in the industrialised countries and that, relative to these, the work carried out in the OICs is minimal.

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Let us now look more specifically at the energy development options of OICs. In general, with very few exceptions (islands or *very* small countries), OICs are endowed with a variety of actual or potential energy sources. This is shown in Table IV-1, which lists countries with oil, gas, coal, and geothermal potential. In addition, Table IV-2 gives quantitative information on their hydrothermal potential; it shows that most of the potential is not used. A brief but detailed discussion of this key potential is given below, development problems.

A. Oil and Gas

Oil and gas are found geologically in sedimentary basins. The map below shows the approximate area of the world's known sedimentary basins, indicating which of them are currently producing oil and gas. It assures that, if a country has a sedimentary basin in its territory, there is a possibility of finding oil and gas. This assumption, while generally correct, is not held in every case. To some extent, the evaluation of the oil potential of any given area is a subjective judgement by individual petroleum geologists;

Hence the wide diversity of estimates of undiscovered oil and Gas in any particular country.

Most developing countries' sedimentary areas are relatively unexplored, compared with those of the industrialised countries. One measure is the density of drilling, in terms of the number of wells drilled per thousand square kilometres of prospective area. This type of statistical

Analysis makes no distinction between the theoretical

Potential of an area is open to subjective judgement

Covers a very wide range prospective area.

as the size of a country's Prospe

Nevertheless, if used with caution, the drilling density provides a useful yardstick for estimating the

intensity of exploration. The estimates in Table effort, in to illustrate the

great disparity in exploration and non-OPECⁿ particular between industrialised countries and developing countries.

TABLE IV-1: CHARACTERISATION OF NON-OPEC DEVELOPING COUNTRIES BASED ON THEIR POTENTIAL ENERGY RESOURCES

Net Oil Exporters	Oil &/or Gas Producers	Potential Oil and/or Gas Producers
Angola	Afghanistan Benin	Honduras Papua New
Bahrain	Argentina Chad	Ivory Coast Guinea
Bolivia	Bangladesh Costa Rica	Jannica Senegal
Brunei	Barbados Cyprus	Jordan Sierra
Congo	Brazil Dominican	Kenya Leone
Egypt	Burundi Rep.	Korea Sonnhla
Malaysia	Cameroon Eq. Guinea	Lebanon Sri Lanka
Mexico	Chile Ethiopia	Liberia Sudan
Onan	Colombia Fiji	Mali Surinam
Peru	India Cambodia	Madagascar Tanzania
Syrian AR	Mbrocco Ghana	Mauritania Togo
Trinidad & Pakistan	Guatennla	Mauritius Upper
Tobago Philippines	Guinea- Mozambique	Volta Tunisia Thailand Bissau Nepal
Uruguay Zaire	Turkey Guinea Rep.	Nicaragua Vietnam
Yugoslavia	Guyana	Niger Yemen, AR
Haiti		Panann Yemen, A)R
Potential		
Geothermal Coal-		Indigenous F?mergya
Producers	Endowed	Resource Deficient
Cameroon	Argentina	Cyprus
Chile	Bangladesh	Dominican Rep.
Colombia	Botswana	Gambia
Costa Rica Brazil		Haiti
El Salvador Chile		Jamaica
Ethiopia	Colombia	Jordan
Guatemrnl	India	Lebanon
Kenya	Mexico	Mauritius
Malawi	Madagascar	Singapore
Nicaragua	Mozambique	Upper Volta Philippines I~ru
Rep. China Rep. Korea		
Tanzania	Swaziland	
Turkey	Turkey	
Uganda	Vietnam	
Yemen, AR	Zambia	

Note: ^aproven and probable indigenous commercial energy resources, which are at present competitive with imported oil, are small relative to commercial energy demand in these countries.

Source: World Bank Staff Working Paper No. 350, August 1979.

TABLE IV-2: HYDROPOWER CAPACITY IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Countries	Gross		Capacity			
	Operating	Construction	Planned	Unused		
(TJ)	(MW)					
Afghanistan	n.a.	N.A.	n.a.	Angola	252,002	284 80 300 9,000
Argentina	8,755,279	1,393 4,212 36,323	9,125	Bangladesh	n.a.	80 50 100
Brazil	2,399,536	15,297 24,225	16,537 44,567	Chile	805,321	1,454
Colombia	6,595 6,781	4,644,004	1,900 1,150	Costa Rica	23,350	23,600
Egypt	802,807	214 270 1,635 4,881	n.a.	EI Salvador	15,120	97 135 940 n.a.
Ethiopia	819,876	n.a.	1,390 7,602	Ghana	ma. 948	n.a. 140 527
Guatemala	46,008	96 n.a. 1,100	n.a.	Honduras	n.a. 69	n.a. n.a. n.a.
India	777,602	6,750 6,800	56,450	Ivory Coast	230,402	225 n.a. 555
Malaysia	ma. 296	348 341	334	Mexico	n.a. 3,885	3,030 17,975
Mozambique	180,002	90 3,700	2,500 5,000	Pakistan	n.a. 2,173	1,125 n.a. 31,171
Peru	n.a. 1,389	n.a. n.a. n.a.	Philippines	70,543	641 2,085	ma. 4,778
Rwanda	n.a. 41	n.a. 128	n.a. 557,440	Spain	11,355	2,326 8,835 6,808
Syria	ma. 204	n.a.	n.a.	Rep. China	105,448	1,365 27 321 n.a.
Thailand	244,113	910 780	6,573	13,602	Tunisia	69 29 n.a. n.a. 25
Turkey	1,570,485	19,577	ma. n.a.	n.a.	Uruguay	n.a. 252
Yugoslavia	396,004	4,247 910	9,500	2,300	Zaire	n.a. 597 289
Zambia	757	910	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	
Note: 1 tera joule (TJ) = 2.8 x 10 ⁵ Kwh.						
Source: World Bank Staff Working Paper No. 350, August 1979, based on World Energy Conference data.						
Aid agencies can provide funds, technical advice, technicians, and volunteers to help with forestry programs. They can help find and develop substitutes for firewood. They can also help develop better and efficient stoves, find ways of efficient charcoal production, and undertake research to develop and test new varieties of fast growing wood and perhaps other biomass forms of fuel.						

F. Energy Conservation

Although energy waste in the developing countries is not as great as in the industrial nations, there is the need to conserve. The problem is generally one of a lack of skills and capital to improve the level of efficiency. While the poor can least afford to conserve energy wastefully, they can also least afford the cash investment that is needed to raise energy productivity.

efficient. Aid agencies can contribute to energy conservation. For example, they can sponsor studies of energy losses inherent in current practices, finance and undertake surveys of plant layout and equipment, finance the development of more efficient equipment, and train nations in all aspects of conservation.

To a great extent, the developing countries have weathered the increases in oil prices in the 1970s and the resulting recession better than *was feared*. In spite of all the problems, the LDCs, by and large, have been successful in avoiding disasters a far. They *have* been able to adjust *more* easily than anticipated. But many experts doubt that they can in future continue to adjust as easily and avoid economic damage.

In the long run, the developing countries will have to make fundamental structural adjustments to the energy problems. Governments will have to reassess their development strategies, people will have to change their consumption patterns, and changes will have to be made in the economic structure. In addition to increasing the domestic production of energy and finding alternative *energy* sources, these countries will have to restructure their export and import sectors, adopt more energy efficient patterns of development, and become self-reliant. Each country will have to make a clear and thorough analysis of its problems and priorities and chart out its long-term adjustment programs accordingly.

However, since such structural adjustments are difficult and costly to make, there is an urgent need for massive international assistance. The international community should provide help not only for the sake of the OIDs, but because it is in the self-interest of every nation to do so.

4. IMPROVED INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON ENERGY

Such topics as food, health, communications, and environment are given careful and systematic attention at the international level by one or more international bodies. Some experts in the energy field have urged that a special international organisation be created to do the same for energy. Whether additional machinery is needed is not a suitable subject for this framework report. However, it may be helpful to identify the kinds of problems in the field of energy that are not adequately manageable at the national level but need attention at the international level, either by existing or possibly by new bodies.

A. A Forum for Southern Views on Energy

The industrialised countries of the North have found it useful to consult with one another frequently on the subject of energy. There are consulting and cooperative arrangements on oil supply, on R&D on new technologies, on conservation, and, of course, on nuclear power (often involving only the nuclear nations). The South is excluded from most of these arrangements. OIDs need to be included in a worldwide forum where they may express their views on subjects like energy waste in the North, the management of oil pricing systems, nuclear rules imposed by the IAEA or unilaterally by the nuclear power countries, and the global allocation of energy R&D funds.

R. Third World Oil Supply Security

One of the important functions of the IEA is to maintain a contingency plan for dealing with politically caused oil supply shortages. Under that plan, members undertake to restrain consumption, build contingency stocks, and share continued oil flows in case of a shortfall. There is no such plan for the oil importing developing countries. An international agency could be asked to establish such a plan or at

least to monitor the IEA plan to ensure that, in the event of a crisis, it does not harm the interests of these countries.

C. World Energy Balance Sheet

In the field of world food supply, it has been very useful for the FAO to write out and publish, from time to time, a balance sheet on world food. A similar service in the international energy field would be useful. Such a service would assemble known data on current and potential energy supply, demand, costs, investment levels, technologies, and national and sub-national needs. It would prepare analytical think pieces on such topics as international energy balances and emerging energy problems for the guidance of the nations of the world.

D. Finance For Renewable Energy Development Within the Third World

Just as there is an agency (IAEA) to promote nuclear *energy*, so there might be a special international solar (or renewable) energy assistance program. Essentially, it would support fact gathering, site testing of DRE equipment, training, and institution building; and it would finance or subsidize the distribution of the more promising DRE equipment based on site test results and other data.

E. Exchange of Information on RD&D Results for DRE Technologies

The existing network of researchers on international food issues might serve as a model for the world of DRE research. Already, our contacts with researchers in many Third World countries make clear their feeling of isolation and their need for a systematic means of keeping up with the work of other researchers. One task for international energy machinery may be to establish and monitor such an information exchange mechanism.

CRAFTER IV: A FRAMEWORK FOR ENERGY POLICIES IN OIL IMPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

In this chapter we examine the main energy supply options for OICDS in the medium term, i.e., during the next 10-15 years. These include oil, gas, coal, nuclear, hydro and geothermal power.

In Section 1 supply options for external energy are considered. The main conclusion is that trade in oil will decline in importance but will or may be partly substituted by coal, gas, and electricity. In particular, there may be increasing exchanges of gas and electricity among bordering countries or entire regions.

In Section 2 supply options for domestic energy are reviewed in light of what is known or inferred regarding OICDS' energy potential. The main conclusion is that with adequate policies most OICDS, particularly those which are medium sized or larger, could become much more self-sufficient and in some cases exporters of energy. This is because they contain within their territories energy resources which are significant for their medium-term needs. An analysis is made source by source.

In Section 3 an attempt is made to project how the situation of energy dependency could change over the next 10-15 years. OICDS are grouped by degree of energy self-sufficiency now and in the future. At the same time, a second type of classification is attempted in terms of the kinds of external assistance which these countries may need to overcome their problems. These are divided into: i) technical assistance from official institutions, ii) financial assistance from official institutions, iii) foreign private investment and know-how, and iv) financial assistance from private banks.

1. EXTERNAL SUPPLY OPTIONS A. Oil

During 1950-73 the bulk of new energy supplies for the non-communist world, particularly Western Europe, Japan,

and the OIPCs, was provided by rapidly growing oil production from a small group of oil-producing countries, members of OPEC.

Oil was abundant, convenient, and required relatively low investments for its production, transport, processing, and use. Furthermore, it was sold at a price lower than that of coal, becoming a significant factor in the unprecedentedly rapid economic expansion which Europe, Japan, and many Third World countries experienced during the period. However, this was at the risk of becoming simultaneously excessively dependent on oil and on imports for the energy needs of their economies.

Since the Middle East war of 1973 and more so since the Iranian revolution of 1979, a fundamental change has taken place. Briefly, this change consists in the adoption by OPEC members of very determined conservation policies. These are aimed at lengthening the life of their oil resources and increasing their value to the level of eventual substitutes (e.g., synthetics). The rationale for these policies has been discussed elsewhere. It must be accepted that it is basically sound from their viewpoint. Moreover, it is also in the longer-term interest of the oil consumers. This is because the transition to a non-oil era is unavoidable, needs several decades to be accomplished, and could be more painful if it did not start with enough time for carrying out the search and implementation of acceptable alternatives.

Because of the new policies of OPEC, oil importers have no effective choice and must accept the following constraints:

- i) There will be little or no increase in oil supplies from OPEC sources. In fact, there may be a gradual decrease.
- ii) External oil supplies will stay at a high price. This price is likely to increase even further, until substitutes may be sufficiently available to satisfy the world's additional energy needs, in particular those of developing nations.
- iii) Oil supplies and prices will most probably be subject to violent but hopefully short-term fluctuations.

This will result from likely but unpredictable political, social, and technical accidents, due to the intrinsic vulnerabilities of the supply system.

Chapter I indicated that international trade in other energy sources is likely to increase. Some of these sources will be significant to OINCS and should be kept in mind when analysing energy options.

B. Gas

Natural gas *can* be moved by sea in the form of LCG or by land in pipelines. Regarding LNG, the high investment costs of liquefaction, transport, regasification, and distribution make this option of little interest to most OIBCs. Only large consumers with no cheaper alternatives could choose this option. They may include Brazil, Korea, and Rep. of China (Taiwan), though Brazil in particular could obtain gas by pipeline from neighbouring countries such as Bolivia and Argentina.

The option of importing gas by pipeline may be of much greater interest. It is usually possible to purchase the gas at a lower price than oil (both seller and buyer may lack better viable alternatives), and investments are also considerably lower.

As already noted, situations of this type may arise between Brazil, Bolivia, and Argentina. They may also arise between Uruguay and Argentina, and between Central American countries and Mexico to the north or Colombia to the south. In South Asia it could happen between Pakistan and India, as well as between Bangladesh and India (in both cases India the purchaser). In the Middle East, it could happen between Turkey and Iraq or Iran, and between Egypt, Israel, and Jordan (should peace ever come to that area). In North Africa it could happen between Algeria and Tunisia (taking advantage of the pipeline to Italy). West Africa could eventually be linked by gas pipelines, particularly around Nigeria.

C. Coal

Imports of coal from both industrial (Australia, Canada, South Africa, and US) and developing countries (such

as Botswana, Colombia, and Indonesia) may be a very attractive option in terms of cost per unit of energy, particularly for power generation and industrial uses (cement, glass, etc.). Security of supply and attractive prices might be obtainable on the basis of long-term contracts. In some cases, especially for large consumers, it could make sense for OIDs to buy coal mines in foreign countries, as some European countries are doing in the US. Brazil in fact has tried to have an equity position in Colombian coal developments. Korea and Rep. of China could seek the same in such countries as Australia and Indonesia.

Coal trade development in OIDs will require careful planning, as the infrastructure for unloading, transporting, and burning coal is generally non-existent and costly. In this sense, trade in coal has some of the characteristics of LNG; moreover, coal has greater flexibility and lower investment.

D. Nuclear Fuels

There are a number of OIDs (e.g., Argentina, Brazil, India, Korea, Pakistan, Philippines, Rep. of China), which are *or may* become users of nuclear energy in the 1980s. Most of them will need to import nuclear fuel, because they lack either the raw material or the enrichment facilities. The nuclear option is expensive and technologically complex. At the present time, it is available and competitive with oil --and in some instances coal--only for very large power plants, at least 600 MW if not higher. This means that only a few, though some of the largest, developing countries would be justified, on economic grounds alone, to go for this option.

Contrary to the case in which a country possesses gas or coal resources, the availability of domestic uranium resources is not sufficient to justify following the nuclear option. Uranium represents a minor proportion of the cost of nuclear power, and it is more logical to consider it as a possible source of export revenues (as oil) rather than a source of domestic energy.

Another possibility is to import electric energy from neighbouring countries. In some cases, it *may* be to import other countries' large surpluses which cannot be used locally (e.g., ongoing projects to export from Paraguay to Argentina and Brazil; and possibly Nepal to India). In other cases, it may be through better regional planning (e.g., the interconnected system under review by the Central American countries, which allows optional generation and transmission line scheduling).

The conclusions of this section are that:

i) OIIX's could face very tight supplies of foreign oil. They could be competing with the rest of the world (and among themselves) for very limited additional global supplies. Unless they can secure special treatment from suppliers on a government-to-government basis, the competition will be largely on a market-determined basis, and the stronger buyers will more likely be favoured. There is serious danger that OIICS will get relatively less and pay relatively more than the industrial countries and CPEs.

ii) OIICS should therefore investigate and pursue other less constrained external sources of energy, especially coal, gas, nuclear, or hydropower. In particular, gas and electricity from neighbouring countries, brought in by pipeline and transmission lines, may prove quite attractive and equally beneficial to the importer and exporter.

iii) Nevertheless, development of domestic supplies and efficient use of energy are the main options to be pursued. Imported oil, which was in the past and is still the most important source for many OIICS, cannot be expected to support their future energy needs.

This leads us to examine the domestic energy resources of OIICS and the policies which they *may* adopt to develop them. The issue of energy efficiency and conservation was discussed in Chapter III.

2. Ir*LESTIC SUPPLY OPTIONS

The pre-1973 availability of low-cost oil from external sources provided little incentive for the exploration and exploitation of domestic resources. Generally speaking, most countries concentrated in the area of hydroelectric generation, which was usually competitive, especially for the supply of urban and industrial markets. Coal development outside India has been very limited and has mostly been a carry-over of the era before World War II. As for oil and gas, efforts by the international oil industry were concentrated in a few exceptionally promising areas with a clear potential for exports. In the OIICs, the work was done essentially by national oil companies, in part because of these countries' dissatisfaction with the level of effort and investment which foreign companies appeared able and willing to make at various critical points in time. These foreign companies were, of course, pursuing a global optimisation and moved to countries which offered better geological prospects as well as financial terms. This was what happened in some countries of Latin America (e.g., Argentina, Brazil, Chile) as well as India and Pakistan.

For these reasons, the crisis of 1973 caught OIICs generally weak and unprepared to face effectively the new situation, in terms of organisation, management, and technical skills, as well as knowledge of their potential energy resources. Part of this gap could have been covered by international development banks and other aid organisations, but these also were initially unequipped in terms of staff and policy to be very effective. Only in 1977 was the World Bank able to start a proper response in this area, to be followed later by others.

In view of these national and official aid weaknesses, it was clear that any quick response to the crisis must turn to external sources for the financial and policy means to secure the necessary skills. These skills are for

* Issues regarding rural non-commercial energy in developing countries have been discussed in chapters II & III.

the first part available only in the industrial world's energy companies, particularly in the areas of oil, gas, coal, and nuclear development. In trying to secure these skills, OIICs are competing i) with pressures in industrial countries for increased domestic efforts, ii) with claims and requests of OPEC countries, iii) with other established exporters which have more negotiating strength and leverage, and iv) aiming themselves.

Many OIICs appear to be unaware of this situation or unable to cope with it: one for ideological reasons, others because of political divisions and weaknesses, and others because of explicit opposition or more frequently effective foot-dragging by their national oil companies, which would like to maintain their predominant role, no matter what the cost in risks and delays to the country as a whole. Even if most OIICs adopt optimal policies a) in the long-term to attain a national implementation capability, and b) in the short- and medium-term to accelerate energy exploration and development, they would still face very serious obstacles, for reasons which are worth repeating:

- i) modest development and export prospects relative to OPECs,
- ii) weak local infrastructure, physical and human, and iii) investors' concern with political instability and non-commercial risks.

To overcome these obstacles needs enlightened, pragmatic, and stable government policies. It also requires (until these policies become credible for countries with poor records) the sort of de facto international guarantee which can be given by institutions including the World Bank and other development banks as "third parties."

It is taking a long time for these ideas to gain ground in all the parties involved: OIICs, development institutions, and industry. But there are signs that progress is finally being made.

As for the past period of 1973-78, it is clear that the efforts of industry have been concentrated in the industrialised countries and that, relative to these, the work carried out in the OIICs is minimal.

Let us now look more specifically at the energy Development options of OICDS. In general, with very few exceptions (islands or *very* small countries), OICDS are endowed with a variety of actual or potential energy sources. This is shown in Table IV-1, which list countries with oil, gas, coal, and geothermal potential. In addition, Table IV-2 Gives quantitative information on their hydrocarbon potential; it shows that most of the potential is not used. A brief but richly detailed discussion of this key potential is given below, development problems.

A. Oil and Gas

Oil and gas are found geologically in sedimentary basins. The map below shows the approximate area of the World's known sedimentary basins, indicating which of them are currently producing oil and gas. It assures that, if a country has a sedimentary basin in its territory, there is a possibility of finding oil and gas. This assumption, while generally correct, does not hold in every case. To some extent, the evaluation of the oil potential of any given area is a subjective judgement by individual petroleum geologists; Hence the wide diversity of estimates of undiscovered oil and Gas in any particular country. Most developing countries' sedimentary areas are relatively unexplored, compared with those of the industrialised countries. A clue to the treasure is the density of drilling, in terms of the number of wells drilled per thousand square kilometres of prospective area. This type of statistical Analysis makes no distinction between the potential of a sedimentary basin open to subjective judgement Covers a very wide range of prospective area. As the size of a country's prospective area increases, the drilling density decreases. Nevertheless, if used with caution, the drilling density provides a useful yardstick for estimating the Intensity of exploration. The estimates in Table 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

TABLE IV-1: CHARACTERISATION OF NON-OPEC DEVELOPING COUNTRIES BASED ON THEIR POTENTIAL ENERGY RESOURCES

<u>Net Oil Exporters</u>	<u>Oil &/or Gas Producers</u>	<u>Potential Oil and/or Gas Producers</u>		
Angola	Afghanistan Benin	Honduras	Papua New Guinea	
Bahrain	Argentina	Chad	Ivory Coast	
Bolivia	Bangladesh	Costa Rica	Jamaica	Senegal
Brunei	Barbados	Cyprus	Jordan	Sierra Leone
Congo	Brazil	Dominican Rep.	Kenya	Sierra Leone
Egypt	Burkina Faso	Rep. of Congo	Korea	South Africa
Malaysia	Cameroon	Eq. Guinea	Lebanon	Sri Lanka
Mexico	Chile	Ethiopia	Liberia	Sudan
Onan	Colombia	Fiji	Mali	Surinam
Peru	India	Gambia	Madagascar	Tanzania
Syrian AR	Morocco	Ghana	Mauritania	Togo
Trinidad & Tobago	Pakistan	Guatemala	Mauritius	Upper Volta
Philippines	Guinea	Mozambique	Tunisia	Thailand
	Turkey	Guinea Rep.	Nicaragua	Vietnam
Yugoslavia		Guyana	Niger	Yemen, AR
Haiti			Panama	Yemen, AR
<u>Potential</u>				
<u>Geothermal</u>		<u>Coal-Indigenous Fossil Fuels</u>		
<u>Producers</u>	<u>Endowed</u>	<u>Resource Deficient</u>		
Cameroon	Argentina	Cyprus		
Chile	Bangladesh	Dominican Rep.		
Colombia	Botswana	Gambia		
Costa Rica	Brazil	Haiti		
El Salvador	Chile	Jamaica		
Ethiopia	Colombia	Jordan		
Guatemala	India	Lebanon		
Kenya	Mexico	Mauritius		
Malawi	Madagascar	Singapore		
Nicaragua	Mozambique	Upper Volta Philippines		
Rep. China	Rep. Korea			
Tanzania	Swaziland			
Turkey	Turkey			
Uganda	Vietnam			
Yemen, AR	Zambia			

Note: ^aproven and probable indigenous commercial energy resources, which

are at present competitive with imported oil, are small relative to commercial energy demand in these countries.

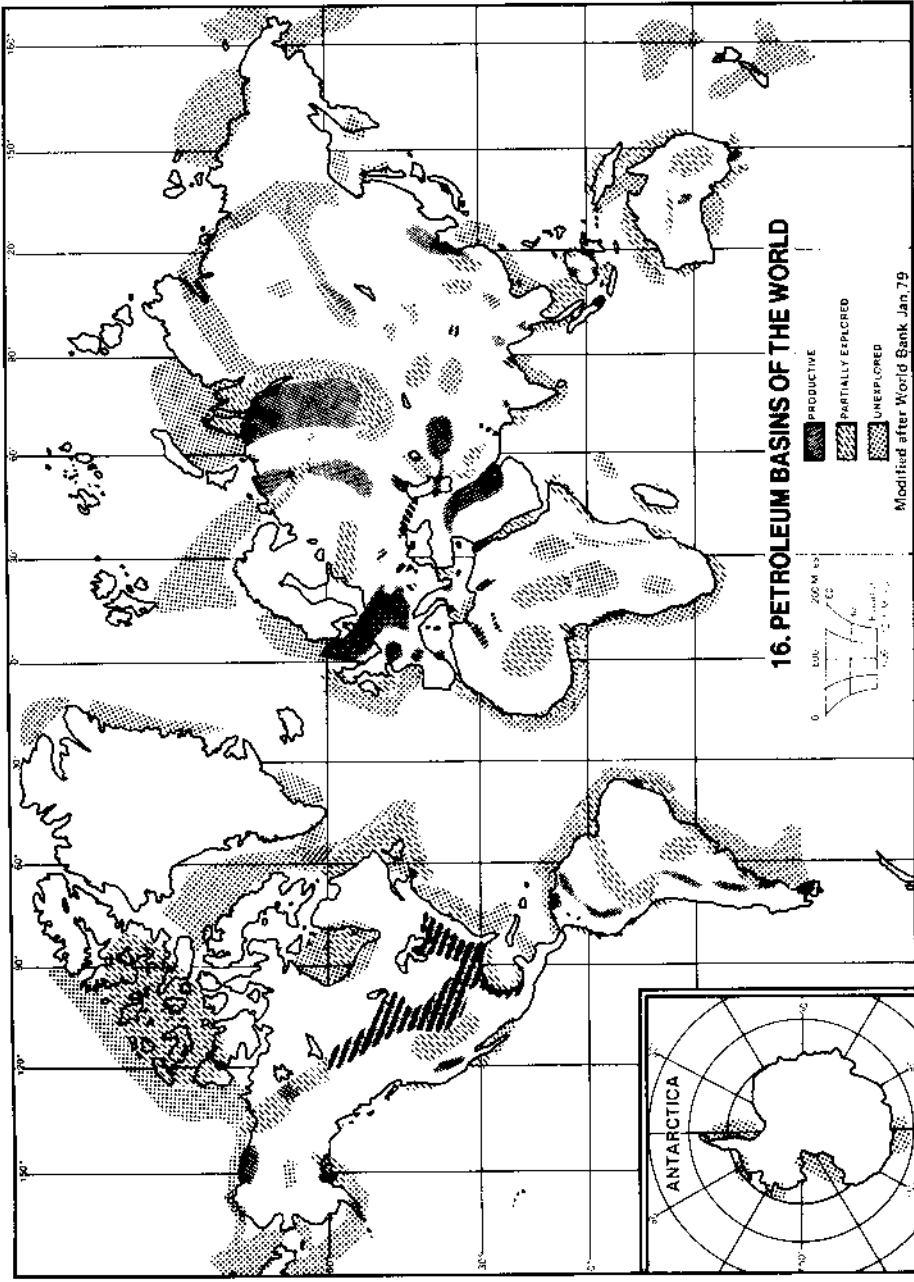
Source: World Bank Staff Working Paper No. 350, August 1979.

TABLE IV-2: HYDROPOWER CAPACITY IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

<u>Countries</u>	<u>Gross</u>				<u>Capacity</u>				
	<u>Theoretical</u>	<u>Operating</u>	<u>Construction</u>	<u>Planned</u>	<u>Under</u>				
<u>(TJ)</u>	<u>(TJ)</u>	<u>(TJ)</u>	<u>(TJ)</u>	<u>(TJ)</u>	<u>(MW)</u>	<u>(MW)</u>	<u>(MW)</u>	<u>(MW)</u>	<u>(MW)</u>
Afghanistan	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	252,002	284	80	300	9,000
Argentina	8,755,279	1,393	4,212	36,323	9,125	Bangladesh	n.a.	80	50
Brazil	2,399,536	15,297	24,225	16,537	44,567	Chile	805,321	1,454	950
Colombia	6,595	6,781	4,644,004	1,900	1,150	23,350	23,600	Costa Rica	802,807
Egypt	214	270	1,635	4,881	n.a.	2,445	n.a.	2,440	n.a.
El Salvador	n.a.	n.a.	1,390	7,602	15,120	97	135	940	n.a.
Ethiopia	819,876	n.a.	n.a.	1,390	7,602	Ghana	ma.	948	n.a.
Guatemala	46,008	96	n.a.	1,100	n.a.	Honduras	n.a.	69	n.a.
India	777,602	6,750	6,800	56,450	n.a.	Ivory Coast	230,402	225	n.a.
Malaysia	ma.	296	348	341	334	Mexico	n.a.	3,885	3,030
Mozambique	180,002	90	3,700	2,500	5,000	Pakistan	n.a.	2,173	1,125
Peru	31,171	n.a.	1,389	n.a.	n.a.	Philippines	70,543	641	2,085
Rwanda	4,778	n.a.	41	n.a.	128	n.a.	Spain	557,440	11,355
Syria	n.a.	n.a.	128	n.a.	557,440	11,355	2,326	8,835	6,808
Thailand	ma.	204	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	Rep. China	105,448	1,365	27
Turkey	105,448	1,365	27	321	n.a.	Thailand	244,113	910	780
Uruguay	69	29	n.a.	n.a.	25	Turkey	1,570,485	19,577	ma.
Zaire	n.a.	252	1,890	300	465	Yugoslavia	396,004	4,247	910
Zambia	n.a.	597	289	n.a.	32,000	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

Note: acne tera joule (TJ) 2.8×10^5 Kwh.

Source: World Bank Staff Working Paper No. 350, August 1979, based on World Energy Conference data.



ENERGY FOR DEVELOPMENT TABLE IV-3: OIL EXPLORATION DRILLING DENSITY, 1976

Petroleum Prospective	Area	Drilling Density (million sq. (wells per '000 miles) prospective area)	sq.miles of prospective area)
Developed & Developing	30.5	109	
Industrialised Countries of which: OS	9.0 (3.1)	290 (780)	
Non-OPEC Dev'g Countries of which: Oil-importing	12.9 (8.6)	7 (5)	
OPEC Countries	4	20	

Note: The relatively low density in OPEC countries is due to the very favourable geological conditions (large individual fields), which do not apply elsewhere.

Source: Grossling, Window on Oil, 1977.

Table IV-4 lists those non-OPEC countries a) which are considered to have some possibility of finding additional oil and gas reserves, and b) in the case of those where no discoveries have yet been made, where exploration may be justified.

Most of the OIDs which are listed in the first three columns (with prospects fairly good or better) are already producers or should become producers in the near future. This group includes some of the largest, most populated as well as the most seriously affected oil-importing countries. Many of them have a long way to go before solving their problems, even

if they have recently improved their policies (e.g., Brazil, Pakistan, Philippines, and Thailand). In most cases, these countries have adopted a positive attitude to foreign Participation.

TABLE IV-4: DEVELOPING COUNTRIES GROUPING	POTENTIAL FOR OIL AND GAS
(ranked to Very Good)	(ranked to Fairly Moderate)
South Asia	
Low	Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Nepal
E. Asia & Pacific	
High	Brunei, Singapore
Middle: Upper	Hong Kong
Intermediate	Malaysia, Rep. Korea
Lower	Papua N.Guinea
Low	Philippines, Laos, Thailand
Euro-Mid East & N. Africa	
High	Bahrain, Yugoslavia, Jordan
Middle: Upper	Turkey
Intermediate	Syria, Morocco
Lower	Tunisia, Egypt
Low	Fast Africa, Afghanistan, Yemen AR, Yemen PDR
Middle: Intermediate	Mauritius
Lower	Mozambique, Botswana
Low	Zaire, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Cote d'Ivoire, Madagascar, Kenya, Lesotho

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Awill join the list of oil/gas producers shortly.

Notes', 'Includes non-OPF O%Des.

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The situation is more difficult for countries with only fair or poor prospects. It is in these countries, particularly those with low-income per capita, where good government policies and front-end support for exploration by international aid may be most critical to get them started. It is also in those countries that it is most important to investigate a) alternatives to oil and b) if alternatives do not exist, options for economic growth which will minimise energy needs and/or allow foreign exchange to be earned for oil imports.

B. Gas

The utilisation of natural gas in a developing country has become economically far more attractive as crude oil prices increase. But it often presents a number of severe problems which call for policy decisions. While natural gas itself is a highly desirable fuel for both domestic and industrial use, it must be transported, in most cases by pipeline. Hence the market needs to be sufficiently large and concentrated, to justify the cost of constructing not only the gas processing plant, but also the pipeline to supply it.

To provide a market of adequate size, it is necessary to have a grouping of large fuel consumers such as thermal power generating stations, cement plants, nitrogenous fertiliser plants, and similar energy-intensive plants. While many developing countries have such plants, they are rarely grouped in the same area. In most developing countries there is no demand for space heating. It is often necessary to develop the market for natural gas at the same time as the transport facility, because an underused pipeline is an uneconomic investment. Further investment costs are incurred if associated gas is used from oil fields, because this must be collected from dispersed sources of supply, treated, and compressed before it is put in the pipeline.

^t Natural gas can be liquefied by refrigeration and transported in this form, but the cost makes it only feasible at

Present for large export-oriented plants. Liquefaction

Plant for 500 million cubic feet of gas per day

\$1 billion, and ocean tankers to ship it cost as much

Again.

Furthermore, natural gas competes in ~ⁿ eases with Fuel oil or hydropower for the same market, gas development may actually ^{increase problems} into other find ^{P ar} _{om ex}S of the economy. It is, therefore, plaited natural gas resources in countries which _ohaving difficulty in obtaining foreign exchange to pay solution ports. Frustrating as this HEY be, there is no easy to the problem at the present time. Nevertheless, developing countries having natural gas reserves should make a serious attempt to use them.

For the above reasons, gas development for domestic use presents more similarities with coal or hydroelectric development than with oil. The role of government than foreign investment becomes paramount. consequently .

financial and technical assistance of development institutions is very important.

Of the oil-importing countries listed ^{bleIV-4, greatest} the ones where domestic gas development Colombia India, interest are Argentina, Bangladesh, Chile, Pakistan, Tanzania, and Thailand.

C. Coal

Coal was the main fuel of the industrial world until the early 1950s. It has not played this role in OICDS, because they began for the most part to industrialise in the oil era. Knowledge of OICDS' coal resources is very inadequate.

The World Energy conference in 1977 estimated the World's economically and technically recoverable natural reserves to be 636 billion metric tons, local

located in developing countries.

A larger proportion of these reserves may be recoverable in the future than is estimated at present. Botswana,

Brazil, India, Indonesia, and Swaziland account for more than 60% of presently recoverable coal reserves in developing

countries. *above all nonconventional suggest oil countries.* Table IV-5 lists coal reserves in developing

Countries. In many countries the full extent of coal ^{resources should} reserves has never

been a priority ⁱⁿ those countries where coal ^s is known to exist.

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Ethiopia	80	10,951		0.08	
Madagascar	n	8,098		0.25	
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Sierra Leone	180		0.05	--	
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Swaziland	,	755	0.07	0.05	
Tanvania	360		0.72	1.27	
Tunisia	73	519	0.02	0.03	
Zaire	228	-		0.07	
Znnbia	7,130	1		0.19	
Zimbabwe	72		0.05	0.02	
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Afghanistan	07		0.00	1.33	

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Source: World RaN[Staff Working Paper No.
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World coal production in 1977 was 2,774 million tons, equivalent to about half the energy equivalent of oil output. Of this total, 176 million tons were mined in developing countries.

Ten of these, namely Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico, Pakistan, Republic of China, Republic of Korea, Turkey, Vietnam, and Yugoslavia between them account for 96% of coal output in developing countries. Table IV-6 shows actual and forecast coal production in developing countries. It is evident that there is considerable scope for increasing production of coal in developing countries, since 21 of them are reported to have deposits of coal.

Coal production costs vary over a wide range. Opencast mining is invariably much cheaper than underground mining. Low-grade coals often cannot be exploited economically except by the open-cast method. Mining costs on a worldwide basis in 1978 averaged \$10-15 per ton for open-cast mines, and \$20-30 per ton for underground mines. For a good grade of steam coal, this would compare with a cost of \$14-20 per ton of fuel oil equivalent for open-cast coal and \$27-110 per ton of fuel oil equivalent for coal from underground

Mines.

Exploration for coal is less costly than for oil, but nevertheless represents a risk outlay. It is carried out by means of geological surveys, assisted by geophysical methods and drilling to prove the thickness, continuity, and grade of the coal away from the outcrop.

Except in the few cases where a potential for competitive coal exports exists (e.g., Botswana, Colombia and Swaziland), it is unlikely that foreign investment would be interested in playing a role in coal development. This will have to take place under the direction and with the financing of the OPEC countries, for which they will need maximum technical and financial assistance from development institutions.

Small-scale coal mining for local use does not present many problems. But a large-scale development to support industrial growth presents many. First and foremost is the cost of developing the mines and the need for infrastructure, such as transport and community facilities for miners and

TABLE IV-6: (DAL PRODUCTION PROSPERITY OF DEVELOPING

	itecoverable Reserves	action				Annual Growth Rate	
		1977 (Million)	1980 (Million)	1985 (Million)	1990 (Million)	1977 (%)	1985-90 (%)
<u>WORLD</u>	636.3	2.77	3.61	3.8	4.0	4.0	4.4
INDOCHINA	64	3.7	6.0	6.1	8.0	2.0	3.5
CENTRAL AMERICA	324.34	113.4	1.2	1.7	1.7	3.3	3.5
CPES	1	4	65	46	52		
DEVELOPING	246.30	1.463	1.1	2.0	2.1	4.6	4.5
Africa	4	4	12	89	0		
Algeria	65,219	175.9	233	304	440	7.1	7.6
Angola	720	5.0	0.3	15	31.9	14.8	17.1
Botswana	(20) ⁰		-
Burundi	(500)C						-
Cameroon	3,500	0.2		0.3	5.0	5.2	75.5
Chad	n. a.						-
Cote d'Ivoire	(500) ⁰						-
Egypt	(80) ⁰						-
Madagascar	(92) ⁰		-	1.0	2.0	-	
Malawi	(14) ⁰						
Morocco	(96) ⁰	0.6	0.9	1.0	1.1	6.6	1.9
Mozambique	80	0.4	1.0	2.0	3.0	22.3	9.4
Nigeria	90	0.3	0.3	1.0	3.0	10.2	24.6

Swaziland	1,823	0.1	0.5	1.5	5.0	28.6	27.2
Dinzzania	(3so) ^o		^e	2.0	3.0	-	8.5
Zaire	(73) ⁰	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
Zambia		0.8	1.3	1.9	2.5	11.4	5.6
Zimbabwe	755	2.5	4.0	4.6	5.2	7.9	2.5
Asia	38,58	136.1	<u>17</u>	211	<u>288.</u>	5.7	6.3
Afghanistan	(8s)c	ifT2	^{1 5} 0.2	os ²	⁷ 1.0	14.7	20.1
Bangladesh	519	-					-
Brunei	(1) ⁰						
Burn	(280) ⁰	-			-		-
China, Rep.	(680) ⁰	2.9	4.0		6.0	5.7	4.5
India	33,70	99.7	125.0	¹	190.	4.0	5.6
Indonesia	1,430	0.2	^{1 5} 0.2	¹	^{12.0}	42.2	27.4
Iran	193	0.9	1.0	¹	1.5	6.6	0.0
Korea, Rep.	386	28.3	19.0	¹	25.0	3.1	2.6
Malaysia	(75) ⁰			¹	2.0	-	
Pakistan	(1,375) ⁰	1.0	1.5	²	3.0	9.1	8.5
Philippines	(87) ⁰	0.3	0.3	²	4.0	23.3	20.1
Thailand	(78) ⁰	0.2	0.5	¹	6.0	13.4	-
Turkey	793	7,4	9,8	²	16.2	7.3	5.9
Vietnsm	(3,000) ⁰	6.0	10.0	¹	20.0	12.1	24.6

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TABLE IV-6: WORLD PRODUCTION PROSPECTS OF
OEVALUATING WONDERS

(Continued)

	Recoverable ^a		annual				
	Reserves 1977 (Million tech)	Production 1980 1985 1990 (Million tech)	Growth Rate 1977- 1985-90 (%)		1985-90 (%)		
Latin America	10,951	15.0	23.8	39.3	73.8		
Argentina	290	0.5	2.3	3.5	7.5	27.5	16.5
Brazil	8,000	3.5	6.4	10.0	20.0	13.9	14.9
Colombia	162	1.2	2.0	2.5	7.5	9.6	24.6
Ecuador	443	3.7	5.0	10.0	20.0	13.2	14.9
Haiti	(7) ⁰	-			0.3		
Honduras	(0.2) ⁰	-					
Mexico	875	6.0	6.7	8.0	9.3	3.7	3.1
Peru	105		0.2	0.3	0.4		5.0
Venezuela	978	0.1	1.2	5.0	8.8	63.1	12.0
Europe							
Yugoslavia	8,465	19.0	23.5	10.2	46.0	9.3	3.8

^aData on recoverable reserves are not available for the following

countries: Benin, Ethiopia, Niger, Sierra Leone, Swaziland, Tunisia, Laos, Bolivia, Guatemala, and Panama.

^bmetric tons of coal equivalent

Figures in parenthesis represent geological resources, since no reserve data are available.

[dann.al](#) growth rate in excess of 50% due to very low 1977 production base:

output below 0.1 million tons in 1977.

Source: World Bank Staff Working Paper No. 350, August 1979.

their families. Table IV-7 gives some representative costs for coal mine development. Large-scale transport of coal is effected for the most part by rail. Water transport is very suitable for this type of traffic, but it is rare in developing countries to find a situation where this is feasible. The cost of building a railroad and handling facilities to transport the coal is very high. Therefore, if developing countries propose to

develop coal as an industrial fuel, they should seriously consider setting up industrial development at the coal field, rather than transporting the coal to existing population centres.

Many low-grade coals can be improved in quality by mechanical washing to reduce ash content, and by partial carbonisation to reduce water content, sulphur, and the volatile matter which gives rise to most of the smoke from coal burning. Such smokeless fuels can often be compressed into briquettes, which are easier to transport than the original raw coal and which provide a useful fuel for domestic purposes and light industry. In developing countries suffering from shortages of domestic fuel and consequent deforestation, serious consideration should be given to exploiting coal deposits to make smokeless fuel briquettes as a substitute. The briquetting potential of each coal deposit needs to be determined separately, by experiment, and that an appropriate technical process can be used. Many of the failures reported in this type of project result from lack of proper investigation of the properties of the coal before purchasing the plant.

D. synthetics

There has been much discussion about the production of synthetic liquid fuels from coal, in consequence of the higher prices of refined petroleum products. While coal itself can substitute for fuel oil in most industrial applications, the manufacture of synthetic liquid fuels from coal offers one of the few possibilities of substitution for petroleum fuels in the transport sector, i.e., for gasoline and diesel fuel. The technology is fairly well known, having been used extensively in Germany during World War II. The only plants operating at present are located in South Africa, although there are a number of pilot plants in the US. The problem is less one of technology, although the plants have had considerable start-up problems, than of cost. It is

TABLE: INVESTMENT AND PRODUCTION IN SELECTED WALSLEY MINE, 1970-1978

Country	Mining Technology	Investment (US\$ million)			Production (1000 tons)
		1970-74	1975-78	Total	
South Africa	Walsley	12-15	8-10	20-25	
USA	Walsley	40-50	20-30		

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		L	35-95	n.a.	
RR	0		m-25	70-	70-85
	0		10-12		30-35
United	L	BC	8-10		n.a.
United			45-75		70-10
			20-30		40-55
			5-15		10-35
Pn Uina	0		12-20		25-55
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1973	7-9	18-	20	-	22-25	24	13	-	22
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1975	16-	90	39	-	42-57	57	181	48	
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1979	9950	42-	-		-	30-00			
1975	59-	54-	84	97	1.5	2850	43		
7976	72	41-			21	30_32			
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	w. Europe		Japan	W. Europe		4.	Europe		
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Year	fob	cif	elf	fo	elf	elf	fob	cif	elf
1972	-	12-35		b	1918		21	23-30	23
1073	-	12-20		-	14-17		23	24-29	30
7'379	-	37-04	-	-	10-32		98	42-53	&7
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Note: aValues are calculated on rt tonnage t sis without consideration

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reported that, provided the cost of coal at the plant is below \$10 per ton, it should be possible to produce synthetic automotive fuel from coal at around \$40 to \$50 per barrel which is already competitive.

The main problems from the viewpoint of developing countries are the massive investment cost and complex technology. It takes around \$3 billion and a coal input of 40,000 tons per day for an output of 4,400 tons of gasoline/ diesel oil per day (37,500 b/d). The process does not require a high quality coal feedstock. But the size of coal reserves needed to support a single plant of this capacity (around 500 million tons) and the plant's high cost do limit the number of developing countries which can contemplate the production of synthetic automotive fuels from coal, unless future technological improvements can both reduce the plant's cost and improve its conversion efficiency.

E. Hydropower

This is one of the earliest forms of primary energy to be exploited, and simple primitive water-wheels may still be found in many countries. Because of the rise in oil prices, there has been renewed interest in small hydro plants (micro-hydro and mini-hydro are terms for installations having less than 1 megawatt of installed capacity) for supplying electric generators. Modern hydroelectric installations have installed capacities in the range of hundreds or thousands of megawatts. The largest hydro plant in the world is under construction at Itaipu in Brazil and will have an installed capacity of 14,000 MW.

Almost all hydro plants require some form of civil engineering work for water storage to increase the availability of energy throughout the year. The cost of this work constitutes the largest part of the investment, and the storage must usually be constructed in its entirety before any energy can be generated. Hydro development is therefore characterised by high initial investment and low running costs. Many hydro installations are dual purpose, providing both power and irrigation water.

Capital costs for hydropower installations vary widely. Including an allowance for transmission and distribution facilities, they range from \$850/kilowatt installed for a high-head installation in Nlombia to \$2,500/kw for wall installations in Africa. An average cost for developing countries is \$1,296/kw of installed generating capacity.

As shown earlier in Table IV-2, the potential for increasing hydropower output in navy developing countries is considerable. For example, Africa is estimated to have 22% of world hydropower resources, but only 2% of this has been developed. One problem is that many sites have a potential far in excess of any local market demand for the energy, ro that the cost per unit of energy delivered becomes prohibitively high. One solution to this problem is to locate energy-intensive industries, such as aluminum smelters, near the hydro site, as was done with the Volta River development scheme in Ghana. Another solution is to arrange to export the power to neighbouring countries where demand is greater, as was done between Uganda and Kenya.

It is unlikely that foreign investment will play a role in hydropower, unless it is linked to a major exportoriented industrial project (e.g., aluminum). Most OIACS have local power companies with some experience in hydroelectric power. More important, UNDP and the development inks have strong and long experience in this field; they are ready to play a substantial role in providing technical and financial assistance to those OIACS *which* need it most. In effect, the main policy question now is to shift aid resources from those countries which already have strong local institutions (mainly Latin American & Caribbean and some major Asian countries) to those which have weaker ones (vastly African).

F. Geothermal Energy

Geothermal resources consist of underground aquifers containing superheated water and steam at temperatures up to 250' Celsius, which are exploited by neaps of wells. Superheated water and steam from geothermal sources have been used for electric power generation, industrial process heat, and

^t The hydraulic head is the height of the usefully available column of water above the turbine inlet, which determines water pressure at the turbine.

Space heating. Geothermal tx~t water resources can also he used for domestic space heating and hot water supply.

The geothermal resources of endowed countries should be evaluated and developed, because haseload electricity generated from high-temperature geothermal resources is likely to he substantially cheaper than electricity produced from fossil fuels. It is important to note that the exploration and development of high-temperature geothermal resources involve an element of financial risk.

The following developing countries are believed to have geothermal potential:

Mexico	Venezuela	Turkey	Yemen	A. Guatemala	Bosnia and Herzegovina,
<i>above all on conventional sources</i>					Iran Ethiopia
El Salvador	Chile	India		Kenya	
Nicaragua	Argentina	Indonesia		Tanzania	
Rwanda		Costa Rica		Philippines	Cameroon
Burundi		St. Lucia		Indonesia	Martinique
Guadeloupe					Solomon Islands

Geothermal energy requires technologies and equipment similar to oil exploration and development, though less costly because of the shallower depth of the geothermal sources. Hence, in principle it is possible to interest foreign investors in this field (e.g., Union Oil in the Philippines). But it is possible and more realistic to undertake geothermal development under local management (usually that of the existing power company), with the assistance of the UN agencies which have pioneered in this field and of the development banks.

G. Other Options (Oil shale, tar-sands)

The options discussed above are of more immediate interest to OIOCS. But there are other possibilities which should become economically attractive by the late 1980s, once the technology becomes fore proven. In particular, these include the production of oil products from oil shales and tarsands. Developing countries known to have significant oil shale resources are: Brazil, China, Morocco, Thailand, and Zaire. Smaller resources have been identified in Burma, Chile, Jordan, Turkey, etc. As for tar-sands (which are already commercially exploited in Canada), they are known to occur in large amounts in Ghana, Ivory Coast, Madagascar, Rumania, Syria, Venezuela, etc.

The main tasks which could be usefully initiated in these countries are exploration and measurement of resources, feasibility studies, pilot plants, and testing of alternative technologies (less capital and more labour-intensive). Unless exploitation is labour-intensive and small-scale, the investments required will be huge, of the order of 5-10 times those needed to explore and develop conventional oil. At the same time, in most countries (possibly excepting Venezuela), the scale of production will not allow exports. In this sense it seems that these resources will require financing from development banks in a manner similar to that provided for hydropower.

3. EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE NEEDS

The current energy position of developing countries is summarised in Table IV-10. Taking into account the options reviewed in Sections 2 and 3 above, the following position could be achievable by the late 1980s and early 1990s;

Table based on UN', world 17energyStatistics 1978 and Wield Rank estimates of fuelwood. Kbpulation data fnm World Ikveloe:ent Peport 1980

Bgxclt ing countries with 1078 per capita GNP above \$3)0 and stnç countries with Population of lees than 0.5 million.

l'Countries where annual consumption Of fuelwed is unlikely to be Noble at miniaun levels through the *year*²⁰, without damage to the ecology. thny countries not inoWded will have fuel wood pnoble s in lonal areas.

Source: World Park, *hhergy in the Developing Lbuntries*, August 1980.

d) Some ssmaller countries could become minor exporters by the end of this period (due to their small energy consumption), for example: Barbados, Guinea, GuineaBissau, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Nicaragua, PapuaNew Guinea, Surinam, Tanzania, Yemen A.R., and Yemen P.D.R.

For these changes to take place, massive increases in exploration and developrent effort and finance are needed, as well as a quantum jump in official technical assistance. The type of assistance needed by different countries depends on their experience in energy developrent, the strength of their existing energy and economic institutions and, of course, the strength of their economies vis-a-vis the financing (particularly the risk capital) needed for an accelerated effort for energy development.

In financial terms alone, the World Bank estimates that in the ten years to 1975 the developing countries invested about US\$ 12 billion a year (in 1980-\$) on average in commercial energy production and transformation, mostly electricity. This represented about 5% of total investment and 1.3% of GNP' In 1980 their energy investment is an estimated US\$ 34 billion. Of this amount, investment in OIACS is an estimated \$25 billion. It represents wme 10% of total investment and 2.5% of GNP, clearly indicating the economic adjustment triggered by the 1973 oil crisis.

This trend is expected to continue during the 1980s; energy investments are envisaged to grow by about 10% p.a., twice as fast as GNP. A breakdown by s)urce of OIACS' energy investment requirements during the 19808 is given in Table IV-11. In brief, the World Bank estirates these requirements at US\$450-500 billion (in 1980-\$) during the decade, or a yearly average of \$37 billion during the first five years and \$53 billion during the second. Of these amaunts, investment in electric power (including transmission and distribution) will continue to take about three-quarters. Exploration and development of petroleum is envisaged to grow from \$2.6 billion in 1980 to \$3.5 billion p.a. during the first five years, and \$4.7 billion p.a. during the second.

The financing of such a program will nuke heavy demands on domestic and foreign saving. But OIACS face even

TABLE IV-11: OIL-TMPORTINO DEVELOPING COMVTRIES: PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT REQUIREMENTS IN CTMAO PCIAL ENETCY 1980-00 ⁹

Energy Source	1980	Annual Average 1981-85	Annual Average 1986-90	Average Growth Rate 1960-90
Total: OILS	29.8	19.81	19.96	10.9
	18.5			10.7
	8.0			9.1
	9.2	36.7	59.4	6.8
Electric Power	1.2	27.5	39.7	30.4
Thermal	0.1	11.8	15.4	90.3
Nuclear	0.5	13.5	15.1	15.8
Other	2.6	2.1	8.8	8.2
Pulp	0.5	0.1	0.4	11.6
Oil	2.1	0.7	1.5	4.3
Exploration	1.0	3.5	4.7	14.2
IPVeloquent	0.5	1.0	1.5	12.4
Base	0.5	2.5	3.2	13.0
Alcohol	1.0	1.7	2.7	11.8
FLelawd	34.4	0.9	1.2	12.3
8etlnerlesf		0.6	1.3	
Pote:		1.8	2.3	
All Developing		54.4		

Notes: based on World Bank's case 1. Assumes that (a) includes cost of transmission and capacity requirements will grow at same rate as in 1973-85 based on investments required to develop coal production from 175 million tce in 1980 to 250 million tce in 1993. (b) based on investments required to develop oil production from 2.0 mm bbl in 1980 to 3.6 mm bbl in 1990. (c) based on investments required to raise gas production

larger oil import bills (\$67 billion in 1980 alone). By maximising energy production during the decade and by vigorous conservation, it estimates that OILDCs could cut their oil import bill in 1990 by \$25-30 billion (in 1980-\$)b.

For its part, the World Bank had planned to expand its energy lending to \$13 billion total (in current-\$) during the next five years. Envisaging that this is insufficient, it now proposes to lend an additional \$12 billion during *these* five years.

The economic rationale for OILDCs' increased investment in domestic energy sources is *very* clear: their costs are expected to be much lower than those of imported

energy (Table IV-12).

Despite the significant dimension of the financing problem, it seems to us that the main obstacles to energy development, which might otherwise be achievable in [x-ely physical teams, wilt not be financial. Currently, there is a growing understanding of the global nature of the *energy* crisis. Those OIDs which adopt realistic energy policies and the minimum managerial and institutional capabilities will have access to those official and private rources of know-how and finance which are necessary to improve their energy position.

It is helpful to classify OIDs according to the type of external sources of energy developxnt assistance which will be frost important in the 1980s, as follows:

- i. technical assistance from official institutions
 - mainly to create an adequate framework for energy development, institutional policy, and basic data;
- ii. financial assistance from official institutions
 - irainly to complement i) aWve, e.g., surveys, training, and to finance in "last resort" such areas as exploratory drilling, gas, and hydro development in countries where private foreign financing is unlikely to be a viable alternative;

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<u>twel Gas</u> - mw cost	0.30	1.05	2.250
- High Cost	2.20	8.80	11.540
COel - Low Cost	2.00	2.50	4.50
- Nigh Oat	5.00-10.00	30.00	15.00
Imnnd Ietrnlein			0.40-21.40
Products			
(fr _n wresttc Crude			
household Eerosenn			11.30 25.40
Diesel (53/57)		50	5.40-21.00
Ilean' Fuel Oil			7.20-17.50
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Gasoline, Diesel fra			25.00-45.00
Fxhanol fiat Sugarcane			25.00-45.00
A6thannl tnm Natural			25.00-35.00
Gasoline Iran Hetitanol			25.00-35.00
Shale °fig			25.00-35.00

<u>Renewable energy</u>	8.00-20.00
Firewood	
tharcoal	20W-30.00
Dung Chkes (India)	5.00-10.00
Solar Neat	50.00-00.00
Oeothermi Neat	.00-11.00
<u>Electric power</u>	44.00-158.00
(at 2.4I-10j per kwh)I'	

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TABLE IV-12: Development	CATIVE ^{WCS} OF ENERGY		
	(continued)	Delivered	
	Transport/	Cost	
	(us\$ per barrel oil equiv. In 1900-\$)		
<u>Crude oil</u>			
Arabian Light: June 1980	28.W	2.75 ¹	
<u>Products train stove (Refined)</u>			
Gasoline (MR)			35.50
Household Kerosene			42.60
Diesel (53/57)		⁹ 1	35.50
Heavy Fuel Oil			27.20
<u>Refined Products</u>			
Gasoline (90R)	39.35	4.15 ¹	43.50
Household Kerosene	41.50	4.38 ⁱ	45.88
Diesel (53/57)	30.50	4.61 ¹	44.13
Heavy Fuel Oil	24.20	3.25 ¹	27.45
Liquefied Petroleum Gases			42.50
Liquefied Natural Gas			27.W
Steam Coal	6.W-8.W	3.W-6.W	9.W-14.W

^bPotential delivered cost to OPEC countries at coastal locations.

maker rates: clean for white products (diesel and gasoline) and dirty for crude oil and heavy oil.

⁹Natural gas prices were derived from Bank projects and studies in Bangladesh, Pakistan and Thailand.

^dCost delivered to consumers near point of production.

^eAssumes production from fuel oil refined locally from indigenous crude. Based on gas prices of US\$0.40-\$1.50 per MMBtu (D\$2.25-\$8.50 per barrel o.e.). Based on Shell and Hechtel estimates adjusted for inflation. ^hCost of electricity used in electric heating

devices such as °coking stoves.

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Fates: clean for white products (diesel and gasoline) and dirty for crude oil and heavy oil.

Source: Nbrld Bank, kLergy in the revelopfné countries, August 1980.

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iii. financial assistance from private tanks
- mainly to creditworthy countries with adequate management and technical capabilities; and iv. foreign investment
- mainly private investment for a package technical, risk capital, and (in some cases) marketing capabilities. This is especially important in areas such as oil development and LNG. It is not aid but profit-oriented and concerned with political as well as commercial risks; ignoring these constraints would be naive.

Foreign investment can be expected to play a leading role only in the following types of country situations:

- i. countries with potential for oil exports;
- ii. Countries with large potential for gas exports, particularly in the form of LNG to industrial countries;
- iii. Countries with medium to large potential for coal exports;
- iv. Countries with low-cost energy resources which cannot be exported but can be used industrially to produce exportable goods, e.g., mineral processing; and
- v. countries with large domestic markets for energy, where government policies and overall economic outlook allow withdrawal of investment and net revenues in foreign currency.

Official development assistance (ODA) is needed to cover many other country situations. In particular:

- i. financial support is needed in almost all cases where domestic energy developments are unlikely to lead to exportable surplus. This includes oats development projects for electric power (a typical area of past ODA), coal, geothermal, and gas, as well as oil in countries with modest prospects;
- ii. in middle- and high-income countries, ODA financial support should be complemented to the maximum extent by co-financing with private Inns. When possible,

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this Should also be done in creditworthy low-income countries, e.g., India;

iii. a much larger share of CAA should be allocated to predevelopment stages of energy investments, as little help can be expected from private sources; and

iv. COA is needed to overcome non-financial weaknesses, such as policy advice, strengthening of planning and management institutions, and training programs.

In principle, it would be (ensile from the above criteria to prescribe the mix of official and private assistance, which would be individually needed and feasible for each country, type of project, and /Particular timing. In this manner, a program for global energy development could be destined, and the requisite hewn and financial resources could be quantified. Recent efforts by the World dank seem to point in that direction and may provide the basis for a major new international initiative in this field.

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