Alignment of G7 Joint Statements with B7 Recommendations

The G7 Chair's statement reflects the B7's overarching focus on economic security, highlighting key priorities that align closely with industry concerns.

Two major thematic G7 joint statements — the G7 Critical Minerals Action Plan and the G7 Leaders' statement on AI for Prosperity — demonstrate clear uptake of recommendations outlined in the B7 Communiqué. The high degree of alignment between the G7 and B7 underscores the influence of the B7's input and the growing recognition among G7 governments of the private sector's role in strengthening economic resilience and competitiveness. The upcoming G7 ministerial meetings in fall 2025 present further opportunities to advance B7-aligned priorities.

G7 Critical Minerals Action Plan

The B7 Communiqué highlights critical minerals and materials as a unique opportunity for Canada's G7 Presidency, recognizing their cross-cutting relevance and vital importance to both economic and national security. The B7 Communiqué urges Canada to "advance a bold strategic vision for the development and supply of critical minerals — grounded in close coordination among the G7 and like-minded countries." The G7 Critical Minerals Action Plan directly reflects this call to action and is aligned closely with the B7's recommendations on critical minerals and materials.

This table outlines the major commitments in the G7 Critical Minerals Action Plan that directly reflect recommendations made in the B7 Communiqué.

	G7 Critical Minerals Action Plan commitments	B7 recommendations (pg. 12–14)
1	Address investment barriers and support policy and regulatory reforms which improve the investment climate and empower entrepreneurs in low- and middle-income countries.	B7 Critical Minerals recommendation #8 (public and private investment in small mining companies within G7 and like-minded countries).
2	Develop a roadmap by the end of 2025 to promote standards-based markets, in collaboration with industry, resource producing nations, and Indigenous Peoples.	B7 Critical Minerals recommendation #9 (responsible extraction framework).
3	Support export credit agencies and development finance institutions in promoting private sector investment.	B7 Critical Minerals recommendation #11 (domestic funding mechanisms to incentivize investment).

4	Work within the G7 and with partners beyond the G7 to coordinate responses to deliberate market disruption and diversify supply chains.	B7 Critical Minerals recommendation #3 (G7 Critical Minerals Security Secretariat to enhance coordination).
5	Encourage multilateral development banks and private sector lenders to leverage existing financing mechanisms to de-risk projects.	B7 Critical Minerals recommendation #6 (incentives to derisk extraction and recycling).
6	Intensify collaboration to fill innovation gaps in R&D, with a focus on processing, recycling, substitution, redesign, and circular economy.	B7 Critical Minerals recommendation #12 (promote public-private partnership for R&D focused on substitution and circular economy).
7	Work with partner networks to showcase new technologies and production processes.	B7 Critical Minerals recommendation #13 (create a network of critical minerals centres of excellence).

G7 Leaders' Statement on AI for Prosperity

The G7 Leaders' Statement on AI for Prosperity signals a significant shift in the G7's posture towards AI, emphasizing the strategic importance of responsible AI adoption as a driver of economic prosperity. The commitments outlined in the statement closely align with the B7's recommendations, which call on G7 governments to prioritize the deployment of trustworthy digital and AI technologies to strengthen economic security and resilience. As Canada and its G7 partners advance major new initiatives such as the G7 AI Adoption Roadmap, the business community is prepared to play an active role in shaping and delivering these efforts to ensure their effectiveness and impact.

This table outlines the major commitments in the G7 Leaders' statement on AI for Prosperity that directly reflect recommendations made in the B7 Communiqué.

	G7 Leaders' statement on AI for Prosperity commitments	B7 recommendations (pg. 32–33, 36–37)
1	Accelerate public sector AI adoption through establishing solutions labs, a G7 AI Network, exploring opportunities for strategic investment, and launching the G7 GovAI Challenge.	B7 AI recommendation #1 (increase usage of AI within the public sector in line with the G7 Toolkit for AI in the Public Sector).
2	Launch the G7 AI Adoption Roadmap, which provides clear, actionable pathways for companies to adopt AI and scale their businesses.	B7 AI recommendation #2 (accelerate private sector adoption, particularly for SMEs via incentives, access to cloud infrastructure, and fostering collaboration).
3	Cooperate on innovative solutions to address energy challenges across our economies, including for AI and data centres.	B7 AI recommendation #5 (G7 toolkit on AI and energy to offer guidance to

	Additionally, cooperate on knowledge-building and sharing with trusted partners. Deliver a workplan on AI and energy by the end of 2025.	governments) and #6 (secure continuous availability of critical inputs and infrastructure for AI).
4	Support access to compute and digital infrastructure, including via tasking Ministers to explore strategic investments for accelerating public sector AI adoption.	B7 AI recommendation #7 (develop publicly accessible compute infrastructure and high-quality public datasets).
5	Build resilient future workforces by preparing workers for AI-driven transitions.	B7 AI recommendation #8 and #9 (expand AI-related education, workforce upskilling, and talent pipeline development).
6	Lead multi-stakeholder efforts with industry and standards-setting organizations to identify opportunities and challenges in deploying AI.	B7 Digital Regulation recommendation #1 (collaborate with industry to advance shared AI standards and classifications among G7 and like-minded countries).
7	Reiterate the importance of operationalizing Data Free Flow with Trust (DFFT) through trustworthy, cross-border data flows, and affirm its value in enabling trusted AI development and use.	B7 Digital Regulation recommendation #3 (implement DFFT agreements among G7 members through the IAP).
8	Develop concrete tools and initiatives for SMEs that grow business and consumer confidence and trust in AI adoption.	B7 Digital Regulation recommendation #4 (promote digital trust by building upon initiatives like the G7 Compendium of Digital Government Services).
9	Publishing toolkits and other relevant resources to reduce barriers for SMEs, as well as connecting SMEs with experts across industries.	B7 Digital Regulation recommendation #1 (reduce barriers for SMEs by establishing industry-specific digital compliance hubs to share best practices).