

2. Does the government have criteria on which it is basing its deliberations as to the site of the proposed centre and (a) if so, what are they (b) if not, for what reason?

3. Was a recommendation made by the Mackenzie Advisory Group to the Minister of Employment and Immigration that a new centre be located in Winnipeg?

4. Was the recommendation overruled and (a) if so, by whom (b) if not, on what date does the government plan to make public its decision on the site for the centre?

**Hon. Lloyd Axworthy (Minister of Employment and Immigration):** 1. Yes.

2. No. (a) Not applicable. (b) The centre proposed by the Mackenzie Advisory Group was to be established and operated by the private sector.

3. No.

4. Not applicable.

MR. LESLIE JAMES BENNETT

Question No. 3,704—**Mr. Cossitt:**

1. To the knowledge of the government, did former RCMP security officer, Mr. Leslie James Bennett, on a visit to Canada from Australia to testify in a civil court action, comment that he had fears for his life from what he termed an "RCMP hit squad"?

2. Did the government investigate the statement by Mr. Bennett and (a) if so, what was the result (b) if not, for what reason?

3. Has the RCMP ever maintained such a squad and, if not, did any Canadian security agency make use of similar services provided by the security service of (a) the United States (b) any other foreign power?

**Hon. Bob Kaplan (Solicitor General):** 1. Mr. Leslie James Bennett's allegation that he had been warned that an RCMP "death squad" would assassinate him, was made to an Australian Broadcast Commission interviewer in June, 1981. Subsequently, this was reported in the Ottawa *Citizen*, June 3, 1981.

2. (a) No. (b) No substantiation for any such allegation was ever provided.

3. No. (a) Not to the knowledge of the RCMP. (b) Not to the knowledge of the RCMP.

CAPSQUAD

Question No. 4,045—**Mr. Cossitt:**

1. To the knowledge of the government, was or is there a group known commonly as the CAP squad and, if so (a) do the letters stand for Corporate and Political squad (b) under whose jurisdiction is it (c) what is its purpose (d) who authorized it (e) on what date was it set up (f) what are the full details of its activities, including the members who served on it?

2. Did or do their duties involve, among other things, compiling information on Members of Parliament and Senators, particularly with regard to their personal lives, and, if so, what is the purpose of compiling such information?

**Hon. Bob Kaplan (Solicitor General):** 1. There is not now, nor has there been a component of the RCMP known by the term CAP Squad.

2. See reply to part 1.

### Order Paper Questions

AIRQUIN SYSTEMS INC.

Question No. 4,118—**Mr. Blenkarn:**

1. With reference to the Department of Supply and Services file No. 15MJ E0231-9-0192, F.C. Project 39868/17-2A, contract serial No. OMJ 79-00535 (a) on what date will the November 6, 1981 letter to Ms. N. O'Brien be answered (b) how much time was spent on the equipment provided by Airquin Systems Inc. after the date it was received by DSS/DPW?

2. Was the equipment to be inspected by Mr. C. Kukulka and, if so, on what date was the inspection made?

3. Were deficiencies reported to Airquin and, if so (a) what were they (b) on what date were they reported?

4. After the date of receipt of the equipment, were requests made to Airquin for work, advice and assistance in correcting improper installation of the equipment and, if so, what were such requests?

**Hon. J.-J. Blais (Minister of Supply and Services):** The information requested concerns transactions with Airquin Systems Inc. On February 23, 1982, the legal counsel for Airquin submitted a claim to the Department of Supply and Services Contract Settlement Board. Any disclosure of information at the present time could be detrimental to the ongoing proceedings associated with this claim.

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[English]

### QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

**Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** Madam Speaker, if question No. 3,703 could be made an order for return, this return would be tabled immediately.

**Madam Speaker:** The questions enumerated by the parliamentary secretary have been answered. Is it the pleasure of the House that question No. 3,703 be deemed to have been made an order for return?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

[Text]

SALARIES OF PUBLIC SERVANTS

Question No. 3,703—**Mr. Cossitt:**

With reference to the answer to question No. 3,152 which stated that 6,375 public servants are receiving more in annual salaries than annual indemnities, exclusive of expense allowances, received by Members of Parliament but that this did not include heads of Crown agencies or governor in council appointments, how many heads of Crown agencies or governor in council appointments are receiving such salaries and, in each case, what is his/her name and job designation?

Return tabled.

[English]

**Mr. Smith:** I would ask, Madam Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

**Madam Speaker:** Shall the remaining questions be allowed to stand?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.