

Order Paper Questions

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[Translation]

QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

Mr. Yvon Pinard (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, if question No. 520 could be made an order for return, that return would be tabled immediately.

[Text]

DOT RAIL EQUIPMENT

Question No. 520—**Mr. Mazankowski:**

1. What are the names of all the companies who placed bids on the ten train options as a result of a tender call by DOT for new rail equipment on July 4, 1976?

2. (a) What are all the factors, including cost, that were taken into consideration in the awarding of the tenders (b) what was the weighted-average or similar type of quantification that was given to each factor in each bid?

3. What was the (a) amount (b) date (c) purpose of any grant or loan or similar kind of offer, if any, that has been given to Bombardier-MLW Ltd. of Montreal, since 1970 by any department, agency or Crown corporation?

4. What was the (a) amount (b) date (c) purpose of any grant or kind of offer, if any, that was given to the companies listed in Part 1 since 1970 by any department, agency or Crown corporation?

5. (a) Of the 1500 man-years of work to be spread over a three year period arising from the \$90 million contract to Bombardier-MLW Ltd. of Montreal, what are the job locations and number of man-years assigned to each location that will serve this contract (b) are any of the job locations in a DREE "designated area" and, if so, what is the area and what is the annual unemployment rate for each area?

Return tabled.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The questions enumerated by the parliamentary secretary have been answered. Does the House agree that question No. 520 be made an order for return?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Pinard: I ask, Mr. Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Does the House agree?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[Mr. Lamontagne.]

PROCEEDINGS ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

[English]

SUBJECT MATTER OF QUESTIONS TO BE DEBATED

Mr. Deputy Speaker: It is my duty, pursuant to Standing Order 40, to inform the House that the questions to be raised tonight at the time of adjournment are as follows: the hon. member for Northwest Territories (Mr. Firth)—Northern Affairs—Funding of native organizations for land claims negotiations; the hon. member for Hillsborough (Mr. Macquarrie)—External Affairs—Appointment of ambassadors to and by foreign countries; the hon. member for Brant (Mr. Blackburn)—Industry—Canada-U.S. auto pact—Equitable sharing of benefits.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

PENSION ACT

AMENDMENT TO INCREASE PAYMENTS

Hon. Daniel J. MacDonald (Minister of Veterans Affairs) moved that Bill C-58, to amend the Pension Act and the Compensation for Former Prisoners of War Act, be read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order, please. The motion as it appears on the Order Paper states that the bill is to be referred to the standing committee. Is it agreed, by unanimous consent, to conform with an agreement already made, that the motion be amended in order that the bill will be referred to a committee of the whole?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The amended motion is then as follows:

Hon. Daniel J. MacDonald (Minister of Veterans Affairs) moved:

That Bill C-58, to amend the Pension Act and the Compensation for Former Prisoners of War Act, be read the second time and referred to a committee of the whole.

● (1722)

Mr. MacDonald (Cardigan): Mr. Speaker, this bill receiving second reading today has been a major concern of Canadian veterans for some time. However, it has been an issue that had to be considered from every aspect.

We all realize that legislation which affects veterans does not remain static. It requires frequent re-examination and constructive review. This procedure has been a prime concern