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2. Should such a communication have been sent out by Treasury Board, designated as the employer in the current collective agreement with CUPW?

Hon. J.-J. Blais (Postmaster General): 1. CUPW, on April 20, 1977, submitted a list of demands in the form of a 12 page CUPW newspaper, previously published, quoted in the Toronto Globe and Mail of April 13, 1977, and dated March, 1977. Post Office ComTeam communicated a 170 word summary, via telex, on April 21, 1977 at 17:05 eastern standard time.

2. No.

MINISTER OF STATE FOR FITNESS AND AMATEUR SPORT—COST OF EUROPEAN TOUR

Question No. 2,750—Mr. Yewchuk:

Was a tour conducted through Europe by the Minister of State for Fitness and Amateur Sport, Dr. Roger Jackson, Director of Sport Canada and Mr. Geoff Gowan, Technical Director of the Coaching Association of Canada, from April 24 to May 12, 1977 and, if so, at what cost?

Hon. Iona Campagnolo (Minister of State (Fitness and Amateur Sport)): Yes. Refer to the answer to question 2,881 tabled this date.

SALARIES OF SOME MEMBERS OF CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD

Question No. 2,757—Mr. Robinson:

What is the salary of the (a) Executive (b) Director (c) Chairman (d) Vice-Chairman (e) board members of the Canadian Wheat Board?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Transport): In so far as the Canadian Wheat Board is concerned: With respect to (a), (c) and (d), there are no positions in the Canadian Wheat Board with such titles. With respect to (b), there are a number of Board employees with the title "Director". However, Board employees are not public servants under the Public Service Employment Act nor do their salaries constitute an expense to the Government. Accordingly, information on their salaries is regarded as confidential. With respect to (e), the salary ranges for Board members are established by Governor in Council and are currently at the following levels: Chief Commissioner, \$49,500—\$65,300 per annum; Assistant Chief Commissioner, \$43,000—\$58,800 per annum; Commissioner, \$43,000—\$58,800 per annum.

ADVISOR TO MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS FOR FRANCOPHONE COUNTRIES

Question No. 2,762—Mr. Cossitt:

- 1. Was the Minister of Supply and Services appointed Advisor to the Minister of External Affairs for Francophone countries and, if so (a) on what date (b) did the Prime Minister make this appointment after consultation with (i) Ivan Head (ii) the Minister of External Affairs (iii) others and, if so, what are their names?
- 2. Since his appointment, on what specific matters and on what dates has the Minister offered advice to the Minister of External Affairs?
- 3. What are the qualifications of the Minister of Supply and Services that justify his appointment to the position of advisor?

[Mr. Dinsdale.]

Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): 1, 2 and 3. See Department of External Affairs Press Release of May 4, 1977.

AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS GROUP CONTRACT

Question No. 2,767—Mr. Baker (Grenville-Carleton):

- 1. Has the Aircraft Operations Group of the Public Service, which has been without a contract for nearly two years, historical relationship with other aviation professionals, such as the Air Traffic Controllers, not been accorded any weight, thus allowing the Aircraft Operations Group to fall as much as \$6,000 behind the Controllers where there has traditionally been a variation of only 1% and, if so, for what reason?
- 2. Is it anticipated that at some time in the future the Aircraft Operations Group will be given an opportunity to catch up to the other professional categories to which it has had an historical pay-scale relationship and, if so, approximately on what date?
- 3. Is consideration being given to amending Sections 38 and/or 44.(1)(a) of the Anti-Inflation Act regulations to clarify the meaning of the words "entered into" and "established" as suggested by Mr. E. D. Jensen, Chairman of the Aircraft Operations Group in his letter to the Minister of Finance of January 12, 1977?

Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Treasury Board Secretariat and the Department of Finance as follows: 1. The Aircraft Operations Group which still remains without a contract has filed an application with the Federal Court to set aside a decision made by the Anti-Inflation Appeal Tribunal on March 17, 1977. The decision upheld decisions already made by Cabinet and by the Administrator's office rejecting the request by the Aircraft Operations Group to disregard a ruling by the Anti-Inflation Board that had the effect of denying any historical relationship between the Aircraft Operations Group and others in the Technical Category including Air Traffic Controllers. The Anti-Inflation Board ruled that an Arbitration Award by Justice Emmett Hall granting increases of \$3,700 and 10 per cent for a two-year agreement exceeded guidelines and ordered a roll back to a maximum of \$2,400 in each year of a two-year agreement.

- 2. This group remains subject to the Anti-Inflation Legislation and any catch up, if justified, will be in accordance with the appropriate guidelines.
- 3. The Anti-Inflation Board is not contemplating amending Section 38 and/or 44(1)(a) of the regulations. It is their view that the current interpretation given to these sections correctly reflects the intention of the Anti-Inflation Act.

LAND ASSEMBLY—CORNER BROOK, NEWFOUNDLAND

Question No. 2,771—Mr. Marshall:

- 1. Did the government provide funds through CMHC for the provision of water and sewage in the Elizabeth Street area in Corner Brook, Newfoundland and, if so, in what amount?
- 2. What portion of the total funds expended for work in the land assembly area in the Elizabeth Street area was provided by the government?
- 3. Did the government sign an agreement with the provincial government with regard to the work done in the land assembly area in the Elizabeth Street area and, if so, what was the extent of the government's responsibility as to completion in line with specifications?