

EXPENDITURES ON AIRCRAFT PURCHASES
AND MAINTENANCEQuestion No. 723—**Mr. Forrestall:**

1. In each year since 1960, what has been the total dollar content of government expenditures, including purchases, overhaul and repair and modification of fixed and rotary wing aircraft in (a) the Atlantic Provinces (b) Quebec (c) Ontario (d) the Prairies and (e) British Columbia?

2. In each of the last five years, how many separate firms in each of the above regions were awarded aerospace contracts in excess of \$50,000,000 by the government?

Hon. James Richardson (Minister of Supply and Services): In so far as the Department of Supply and Services is concerned:

1. The records of the Department are not maintained in a manner which would enable us to readily provide this information. In order to assemble the information, it would be necessary to examine about 15,000 contract files.

2. During the past five years there were two contracts for \$50,000,000 and over, which were awarded to Canadair Ltd. Montreal for production of the NF-5 and CF-5 aircraft. The NF-5 aircraft were purchased by Canada for re-sale to the Netherlands government.

ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR
SMALLER PORTSQuestion No. 726—**Mr. McCleave:**

1. Is the Minister of Transport conducting a study to determine whether administrative responsibility of smaller ports could be shifted to the Department of Fisheries and Forestry?

2. Is such a study being carried out by both Departments?

3. When is it anticipated the study will be completed and a decision announced?

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Department of Transport and the Department of Fisheries and Forestry as follows: 1. The administration of smaller ports is under review with a number of departments and agencies.

2. No.

3. Not applicable.

DISTRIBUTION OF SPEECH BY MINISTER
OF FINANCEQuestion No. 741—**Mr. Saltsman:**

1. What was the purpose of the distribution in the form of a departmental news release on December 2, 1969, of the text of a speech by the Minister of Finance, in the House of Commons, Friday, November 28, 1969?

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2. How many copies of this speech were distributed and what was the total estimated cost in preparing and distributing the speech?

3. Would the Government of Canada be prepared to distribute the text of the speeches made on November 28, 1969 in the House of Commons by the lead-off speakers of the Conservative, New Democratic and Ralliement Creditiste Parties?

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance):

1. The text of the November 28 speech by the Minister of Finance was distributed to government offices, embassies and libraries, to persons in business and finance and to other groups and individuals who have asked to receive speeches by the Minister and announcements of the Department of Finance. This follows the normal practice of successive Ministers of Finance. The speech was also sent to news media and to Members of the House of Commons and Senate.

2. Estimated costs of preparation and distribution for 2,200 English and 300 French copies was \$377.31, including mailing costs.

3. The government assumes that persons wishing to obtain speeches by Members and Leaders of Opposition parties have made arrangements to do so. Facilities are available to Opposition parties to respond to these requests.

AUTOMOTIVE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE
BOARD LOANSQuestion No. 753—**Mr. Scott:**

1. How many industries have received loans from the Automotive Adjustment Assistance Board since its inception?

2. What are the names of these companies and where are they located?

3. What was the amount of the loan to each company?

4. How many companies have failed to repay these loans?

5. How many companies are in arrears with their payments?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): 1. To November 30, 1969, a total of 58 firms.

2. and 3. It is not the policy of the Adjustment Assistance Board to reveal the names of the borrowers or the amounts of individual loans.

4. None.

5. As of November 30, 1969, one.

MEDICAL, DENTAL AND ENGINEERING
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIESQuestion No. 778—**Mr. Muir (Cape Breton-The Sydneys):**

Does the Department of Manpower and Immigration now get information from the provincial