

The policy of this division will continue to be one designed to ensure that the most efficient and economical means possible are employed in conducting the many and diverse operations of the customs and excise division.

When I deal with the four votes covered by these estimates, I intend saying a few words about those objects which show an increase over last year. However, if there are any questions which the committee would like to bring up at this time concerning these estimates, or the operations of the customs and excise division, I shall be only too pleased to do what I can to answer them.

That is the statement, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, following our practice of last session, we will now have any questions which you would like to direct to the minister concerning his statement. Following that, may I suggest that we take the four items which he mentioned, in general principle. Then, we will take the items, page by page, commencing at page 350. If there are any questions concerning the statement I would appreciate having them now.

Mr. McMILLAN: The minister referred to personnel in foreign countries, in order to determine the valuation for duty. How many personnel are there in foreign countries? Can that question be answered now or should it be left until later?

Mr. NOWLAN: We have three in London, one in Prague, one in Tokyo, and two in New York.

Mr. McMILLAN: That is, persons?

Mr. NOWLAN: Yes.

Mr. GRAFFTEY: I hope the question I am about to ask comes under the general heading. The minister mentioned during the last session that certain officers were going to be hired and trained in regard to "dumping procedures". Could the minister inform the committee to what extent this training period has advanced.

Mr. NOWLAN: The training period has advanced so far that many of them are now out in the field doing work for which they were hired. As I told the committee in the house last year, there were some forty additional personnel provided for. We have proceeded with the recruiting of these, and the work has been completed as far as their training is concerned; they are engaged in their activities.

Mr. BENEDICKSON: You mentioned just one representative in New York.

Mr. BELL (*Carleton*): Two.

Mr. BENEDICKSON: I take it that this group which Mr. Grafftey has referred to would probably do a great deal of their work in the United States on valuation.

Mr. NOWLAN: Yes, of course.

Mr. BENEDICKSON: And they would be resident in Canada.

Mr. NOWLAN: Those to whom I have referred are resident, but are subject to transfer to the cities to which I have referred. In addition, the appraisers who are working within Ottawa, including the new ones to which I have referred, go out and work in teams; they conduct special investigations and appraisals in various cities in the United States, and anywhere else throughout the world where they may be sent.

The CHAIRMAN: Are there any further questions?

Mr. CARTER: I was wondering, Mr. Chairman, if you have any breakdown, of the figure of \$1,543,698,181 at the bottom of page 2. This figure is for the ten-month period. Is it broken down in any way under manufactured goods, by countries, or in any way at all?