

Questions

entertainment in honour of Heads of Foreign Diplomatic Missions is an established practice.

2. (a) 134; (b) 138.
3. \$3,500.
4. (a), (b), (c) and (d): liquor and liqueurs: \$900; wines including champagne: \$1,400.
5. \$3,655.
6. \$220.
7. No rental fee for facilities and accommodation. Staff \$800.
8. This year it was possible to organize one single social event rather than a series of smaller ones, as in the past, by making use of the excellent facilities of the National Arts Centre. It was also the first time that a concert by the prestigious National Arts Centre Orchestra was made part of the event. In view of the success of the evening, it is hoped that similar social events with emphasis on Canadian culture, may be held annually in honour of Heads of Foreign Diplomatic Missions and their wives.
9. (a) The annual Departmental hospitality costs in Ottawa during 1971-72 amounted to \$24,579. Other hospitality expenditures controlled by Departmental headquarters in Ottawa: (1) hospitality in connection with international conferences amounted to \$36,636; (2) hospitality in connection with the Government's cultural and information programs amounted to \$6,509; (3) hospitality extended by the Government of Canada to visiting Heads of State and dignitaries amounted to \$327,574. (b) The direct costs of entertaining at Canadian posts abroad for the fiscal year 1971-72 were \$706,504.
10. No. Indeed, special effort was made to invite a diverse group of Canadians including newspaper editors from Ottawa and other Canadian cities, many of whom attended the evening function.

LE DAIN COMMISSION REPORT

Question No. 310—**Mr. Robinson:**

1. How many copies of the Le Dain Commission Report on the Non-Medical use of Drugs have been printed, where are they sold and what is the price per copy?
2. How many copies must be sold in order to make the publication profitable and what, if anything, is the government doing to avoid loss on the publication?

Hon. Martin P. O'Connell (Minister of Labour): 1. 5,339 French copies and 24,960 English copies have been printed of the Interim Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the Non-Medical Use of Drugs. Copies are sold through Information Canada's Centres (Bookshops), commercial booksellers which have asked for them and by mail order from Information Canada. The Report sells for \$2 per copy.

2. The publication became profitable after the sale of 4,270 copies of the French edition and 19,960 copies of the English edition. Copies of the Report are nearly sold out and a revised second edition is presently under consideration.

[Mr. Sharp.]

GENERAL ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE BOARD

Question No. 313—**Mr. Robinson:**

1. How many manufacturers have been helped to take advantage of export opportunities arising from the Kennedy Round by the General Adjustment Assistance Board since it was established in 1968?
2. How much money has been saved or expended by manufacturers as a result of the establishment of the General Adjustment Assistance Board?
3. What is the yearly cost of maintaining the General Adjustment Assistance Board?

Mr. Bruce Howard (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): 1. A total of 76 manufacturers have been assisted.

2. (a) The amount that manufacturers have saved is not available. (b) As a result of the establishment of GAAP, manufacturers have expended or committed to expend \$77,914,000 on restructuring programs.
3. For fiscal year 1971/72, a total of \$11,000.

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT ON POVERTY

Question No. 318—**Mr. Robinson:**

1. How many copies of the Senate Committee Report on Poverty have been produced?
2. Where are they sold and what is the price per copy?
3. How many copies must be sold in order to make production profitable or break even?
4. What, if anything, will the government do to avoid any possible loss on the publication of the Senate Committee Report on Poverty?

Hon. Martin P. O'Connell (Minister of Labour): 1. 2,500 French copies and 11,544 English copies have been printed of the Senate Committee Report on Poverty.

2. Copies are sold through Information Canada's Centres (Bookshops), commercial booksellers which have asked for them and by mail order from Information Canada. The Report sells for \$2 per copy.

3. Sales must reach 8,772 copies of the English edition and 1,676 copies of the French edition in order to recover printing costs. Sales of the English edition have exceeded the break even point and the French edition is within 100 copies of that level.

FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO STATE OF BANGLA DESH

Question No. 347—**Mr. Robinson:**

Has the government extended recognition of the independent State of Bangla Desh and, if so, what assistance is planned by the government for this nation at the present time?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): The Government of Canada recognized the state of Bangla Desh on February 14, 1972. A Canadian mission headed by Mr. Gérin-Lajoie, President of CIDA, recently visited Bangla Desh and assessed the humanitarian and rehabilitation requirements. As a result of the mission's findings and in co-ordination with the United Nations Relief Organization Dacca (UNROD), a Canadian aid program is being discussed with Bangla Desh officials. The prospective breakdown is as follows: food aid \$20 million; railway track material \$7 million; tubewell project \$5 mil-