

Questions

3. If the long-range plans of the Department involve a change in land use where sub-standard facilities exist, the Department may offer to purchase the unexpired leasehold interest, if sufficient funds are available and if the acquisition has sufficient priority.

PUBLIC RELATIONS STAFF, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION

Question No. 2,436—Mr. Robinson:

1. Does the Department of Defence Production have a public relations staff and, if so, how many?

2. What was the total cost of the public relations for the Department for each of the years 1960-68 inclusive?

Hon. James Richardson (Minister of Supply and Services): 1. The former Department of Defence Production is now part of the Department of Supply and Services. The Department of Supply and Services has no public relations staff as such. Relations with the public media are part of the regular duties performed by the Information Division of the Department.

2. Not applicable.

AIRPORTS—LAND OWNED BY GOVERNMENT

Question No. 2,512—Mr. Gilbert:

1. What amount of land (in acreage) is owned by the Government of Canada for the purpose of airports?

2. At what location and what amount?

3. What is the market value of such lands?

4. Is all land employed for use by the government or for the specific use of air transportation?

5. How much land at each location is used for other purposes?

6. What are the contractual arrangements for such use?

7. What is the government's remuneration as consideration for the use of those lands?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport):

| 1. Province | Area in Acres |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| Alberta | 16,828 |
| British Columbia | 41,313 |
| Manitoba | 12,228 |
| New Brunswick | 4,722 |
| Newfoundland | 90,963 |
| Nova Scotia | 4,981 |
| Ontario | 33,220 |
| Prince Edward Island | 470 |
| Quebec | 111,951 |
| Saskatchewan | 6,325 |
| Yukon Territory | 9,559 |
| Northwest Territories | 57,382 |
| Total | 389,942 |

[Mr. Chrétien.]

2, 3, 5 and 6. The information requested is very extensive and it will be time consuming to prepare. If the questions were related to specific airports it could be made available quite readily.

4. When land is acquired for airport purposes it is sometimes necessary to purchase whole units of land for example, a whole farm where only a portion of the farm is required for airport purposes. This severance land is therefore surplus to airport requirements but is used for revenue purposes mainly through agricultural leases.

7. The total revenue earned from land rentals for the fiscal year 1967/68 was \$822,-369. The land rental rate policy for land for commercial or industrial use at airports, with some exceptions, is calculated to earn interest on the market value of the land plus recovery of development costs plus an airport maintenance charge; and land for agricultural purposes is put out to tender periodically. At some airports land for commercial or industrial use is leased at standard rental rates established in accordance with a former land rental policy, but as leases come up for renewal their rental rates are brought in line with the existing policy.

TSAWWASSEN INDIAN BAND—ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY BY NATIONAL HARBOURS BOARD

Question No. 2,517—Mr. Rose:

1. What was the reason for the acquisition by the National Harbours Board from the Tsawwassen Indian Band of British Columbia of its property and/or rights?

2. Was there any consultation with the Tsawwassen Indian Band regarding this acquisition?

3. If so, what was the response of the Tsawwassen Indian Band?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): The National Harbours Board advises as follows: 1. Acquisition of thirteen acres from Indian Band was necessary for relocation of B.C. Hydro D.C. cable installation between lower mainland and Vancouver Island. B.C. Hydro had planned their installation of a highly specialized cable previous to the decision to develop Roberts Bank. The development of Roberts Bank necessitated that B.C. Hydro's plan be changed and the only practical alternative was through the Reserve.

2. There was very close and lengthy consultation with the Band respecting this acquisition both through their solicitor and by direct contact with Band officials.