

*Order Paper Questions*

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**FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL FISCAL ARRANGEMENTS  
AND ESTABLISHED PROGRAMS FINANCING ACT,  
1977**

MEASURE TO AMEND

**Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance)** moved for leave to introduce Bill C-97, to amend the Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements and Established Programs Financing Act, 1977, and to provide for payments to certain provinces.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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**QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER**

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

**Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** Madam Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 1,793, 1,894, 3,184, 3,364 and 3,764.

[Text]

PRIME MINISTER'S TRIP TO MIDDLE EAST

Question No. 1,793—**Mr. Cossitt:**

On his current trip to the Middle East, did the Prime Minister spend a night in a desert encampment and (a) did he wear clothing of a local nature (b) did he dance with an Arab sheik and, if so, for what reasons and specifically, was it to impress Arab sheiks in order to obtain a larger supply of oil for Canada?

**Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** See Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms, Fourth Edition, Citation 171(b).

DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN PRIME MINISTER AND MEMBER FOR  
OSHAWA

Question No. 1,894—**Mr. Friesen:**

Since September 1, 1980, were discussions held between the Prime Minister and the hon. member for Oshawa and/or their representatives and, if so, was there discussion of (a) provincial management of natural resources on (i) renewable (ii) non-renewable resources (b) provincial ownership of natural resources (c) provincial control of levels of oil production (d) a Fair Prices Commission (e) the partial or complete introduction of a system of proportional representation in Canada (f) provincial concurrent jurisdiction of international trade (g) the right of the provinces to offshore mineral resources (h) the candidacy of Mr. Ralph Goodale, executive assistant to the minister responsible for the Canadian Wheat Board in the provincial byelection in Estevan, Saskatchewan (i) a federal appointment for Saskatchewan attorney general, Mr. Roy Romanow?

**Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** See Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms, fourth edition, Citation 171(ee).

NUMBER OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Question No. 3,184—**Mr. Cossitt:**

As of March 31 and September 30 of each year since 1968, what was the total number employed by the government and how many were (a) employed by Crown corporations and other agencies (b) members of the Armed Forces (c) public servants under Treasury Board control?

**Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** I am informed by Statistics Canada and Treasury Board as follows:

Statistics Canada reports that the total number of persons employed by the government and the breakdowns by (a) government enterprises and (b) Armed Forces are shown in the list below (as of March 31 and September 30, since 1968).

Year	Federal Government Employment					
	March 31			September 30		
	Total	(a) Federal Government Enterprises	(b) Members of the Armed Forces	Total	(a) Federal Government Enterprises	(b) Members of the Armed Forces
1968	369,354 <sup>1</sup>	126,595	"	379,265 <sup>1</sup>	131,999	"
1969	470,545	125,562	99,348	483,755	132,919	98,708
1970	472,434	122,638	93,817	470,077	129,720	91,471
1971	474,020	122,498	88,805	489,980	128,482	87,901
1972	490,086	119,669	85,117	501,148	128,433	83,661
1973	505,768	125,093	82,022	514,004	131,373	82,514
1974	526,274	132,194	81,851	534,373	140,511	80,632
1975	535,766	133,936	80,225	546,391	136,690	79,868
1976	547,170	130,077	79,900	557,344	137,099	80,461
1977	562,107	130,350	80,643	572,591	143,936	81,136
1978	583,567	140,590	81,032	582,725	148,526	81,083
1979	579,500	150,040	81,035	578,065	159,596	81,040