

PERMANENT VOTERS LIST

Question No. 153—**Mr. Stefanson:**

1. Has the government received a report from the representation commissioner with regard to establishing a permanent voters list?

2. If so, what plans has the government for implementing any recommendations contained therein?

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):

1. The Representation Commissioner Act of 1963 provides in Section 9 that the Commissioner shall report to the Speaker on this subject within two years after the issuance of the first representation order made pursuant to the Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act. I am informed by the Representation Commissioner that no such report has yet been made.

2. N/A.

CIVIL SERVICE HOLIDAYS AND OVERTIME, 1965

Question No. 214—**Mr. Winch:**

1. Was an order issued in 1965, that all or certain classification employees in the government service had to take holidays owing or accumulated overtime prior to December 31, 1965, or lose their rights to same?

2. If so, what consideration was given to those employees, who because of their responsibilities in government service, were unable to take the time off?

3. In the circumstances outlined in (2) above, has or will immediate consideration be given to make provision for time off to be taken in 1966, or pay, for the services rendered by these loyal civil servants in 1965?

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):

1. No.

2. n/a.

3. n/a.

C.B.C. SERVICES ABROAD

Question No. 405—**Mr. Caouette:**

1. How many representatives or employees work for the C.B.C. in countries other than Canada?

2. What has been the cost of maintenance for the C.B.C. of these services (employees, material, equipment, etc.) outside Canada for the last three years?

[Translation]

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State): I am informed by the C.B.C. as follows:

1. A total of 55 employees, including foreign correspondents and clerical staff hired locally, are employed by C.B.C. foreign offices at eight locations outside Canada.

2. 1962/63, \$636,519; 1963/64, \$825,094; 1964/65, \$954,815.

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DESALINATION OF SEA WATER

Question No. 431—**Mr. Laprise:**

1. For how long has the government been interested in the economic aspects of the desalination of sea water?

2. Has the government asked anyone to make a study of this question and, if so (a) who was asked, and (b) what amount of money was required for such a study?

3. Who were the representatives of Canada at the first international symposium held on the desalination of water, and how much was the government required to pay to defray the expenses of its delegates?

[English]

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):

I am informed by the Departments of Mines and Technical Surveys and Industry as follows:

1. Progress in the development of an economic method or methods for the desalination of saline water has been of general interest to the government of Canada since its development began. Interest in this possibility became definite late in 1964 when the United States government began to organize the first international symposium on water desalination which was held in Washington, D.C. during the period October 3-9, 1965.

2. No.

3. Mr. J. A. MacDonald, chief delegate, assistant deputy minister, Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources, \$276.45. Dr. S. Sourirajan, National Research Council, \$286.82. Prof. R. L. Hummel, University of Toronto, \$335.00. Mr. A. Wyatt, Atomic Energy of Canada Limited, \$270.46. Dr. J. F. Fulton, water resources branch, Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources (now Mines and Technical Surveys), \$224.52. Total, \$1,393.25.

FILM BOARD FILM ON MOTORCYCLE HILL CLIMBING

Question No. 462—**Mr. Hales:**

1. Did the National Film Board pay a mid-western Ontario motorcycle club for the opportunity of making a film on "Hill Climbing" and related feats, in 1965?

2. If so, how much was the club paid and in what form was the obligation paid?

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):

1. & 2 No payment was made to the club itself. However, payments totalling \$95 were made to seven club members for their services in the film over a 17 day period. Furthermore, the film board incurred expenditures