

In so far as the commission is concerned, the answer to both parts of the question is no. However, it is pointed out that (a) the holidays mentioned in section 62 of the Civil Service Act were authorized by parliament; (b) Time off on religious holidays was authorized by the cabinet.

#### R.C.A.F. NAVIGATORS AND RADIO OPERATORS

##### Question No. 1,322—Mr. Enns:

1. How many navigators and radio officers are there in the R.C.A.F.?
2. What does it cost to fully train a navigator and a radio officer in 1966?
3. Have any navigators and radio officers resigned since February 1, 1966 and, if so, how many?
4. Have any more navigators and radio officers indicated their intention to resign in 1966 and, if so, how many?

**Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of National Defence):** 1. 1,497.

2. To wings standard—navigator, approximately \$78,000—radio officer, approximately \$64,000.

3. Yes, nine.

4. Yes, 70 have stated they may wish to resign in 1966 but only nine since 1 April, 1966, have actually requested their release.

#### CF-104 AIRCRAFT

##### Question No. 1,324—Mr. Allard:

1. Have any CF-104 Starfighter aircraft crashed since their acquisition by Canada and, if so (a) how many (b) does the government intend to investigate the causes of the crashing of such aircraft (c) will the government publish a report or statement about such crashes?
2. How many CF-104 aircraft does Canada still have?
3. What was the cost of production or purchase of each aircraft of this type?
4. To date, how many of them has Canada produced or purchased?
5. Will Canada produce or purchase any more?
6. Where are such aircraft stationed at the present time?
7. Since such aircraft were acquired, have they been substantially altered?

**Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of National Defence):** 1. Yes. (a) 35; (b) all aircraft crashes are investigated; (c) a statement is made as soon as possible after each crash giving the circumstances in so far as they are known.

2. 166 CF104, 37 CF104D.

3. The average flyaway cost of CF104's was approximately \$1,055,000 and CF104D's \$1,200,000.

#### Questions

4. 200 CF104's were produced in Canada for the R.C.A.F. and 140 CF104G's for a joint Canada/United States mutual aid program; 38 CF104D's were purchased from the Lockheed Aircraft Company for the R.C.A.F.

5. No.

6. Cold Lake, Alberta; France and Germany.

7. No, several modifications to improve engine reliability and ejection seat performance have been incorporated but the aircraft performance has not been altered substantially. In addition a major modification to the navigational system was made to improve aircraft operational capability.

#### UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS— REPORTS TO R.C.A.F.

##### Question No. 1,343—Mr. Howe (Hamilton South):

1. Does the R.C.A.F. accept reports of unidentified flying objects and, if so, are these (a) investigated by Canadian authorities (b) reported to United States authorities?

2. Does the United States conduct investigations into the R.C.A.F. reports and, if so, are the results of such studies made available to Canadian authorities?

**Hon. Léo Cadieux (Associate Minister of National Defence):** 1. Yes; (a) Yes; (b) Yes, if circumstances warrant the onward transmission of such information.

2. Yes, if circumstances warrant investigation. The results are made available to Canadian authorities.

#### EMIGRATION OF PRINTERS FROM HONG KONG

##### Question No. 1,367—Mr. Dinsdale:

Has the Department of Citizenship and Immigration received any requests to permit printers to emigrate from Hong Kong to Canada and, if so (a) what is the source of these requests (b) has approval been given to them and, if not, for what reason?

**Mr. J. C. Munro (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Citizenship and Immigration):** Yes, requests have been received from (a) the publisher of the *Shing Wah Daily News*, Toronto, and the president of the Sun Publishing Company Limited, Edmonton. (b) The immigrant applied for by the *Shing Wah Daily News* was refused when an independent trade testing board established that he possessed no practical knowledge of the work at which he was to be employed in Canada. The president of the Sun Publishing Company made a general request for workers