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4. What was the total cost to the Department of Communications for its involvement in this seminar?

[Translation]

Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General and Minister of Communications): 1. Yes.

- 2. The purpose of the seminar, taking special account of regional disparities was: a) consider ways by which telecommunications technology, systems, concepts and institutions can be developed and applied so as to approach the ideal of the optimum amount of information being made available to the maximum number of individuals, groups and institutions; b) assess the costs and benefits (economic, social) of providing such information, and the costs (economic, social) of failing to do so. 90 invitations were issued. 77 people attended.
- 3. A reception was held before the seminar. There was no cost to the Department of Communications for this reception.
 - 4. Approximately \$5,600.

[English]

QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

INCENTIVE GRANTS TO DOMINION TEXTILE LIMITED

Question No. 1,765-Mr. Burton:

- 1. Has the Department of Regional Economic Expansion under the Regional Development Incentives Act authorized or provided an incentive grant or grants to Dominion Textile Limited, Magog, Quebec, and, if so, what is the amount of each grant?
- 2. Who are the directors and executive officers of Dominion Textile Limited, Magog, Quebec, and what is the address of each?
- 3. To what extent is this company non-resident or foreign-owned or controlled?
- . What is the name and country of the known non-resident ownership in this company?

Return tabled.

Mr. Howard (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, I should like to inquire about starred question No. 1,907 standing in my name. The question is starred because of the urgency in acquiring the information. It relates to meetings the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development may have had with certain Indian bands. Having been in touch with some Indian people I know they would like to have the information before Parliament rises presumably at the end of this month. Could this question not be answered with some expedition?

[Mr. Coates.]

Mr. Chrétien: Soon.

Mr. Coates: Mr. Speaker, like the hon member for Skeena, I also have a starred question, No. 1,203, about which I am concerned. It has to do with the Prime Minister's use of the Jet Star. In view of the fact that he now uses a Boeing 707 and since it has been most difficult to obtain information regarding the Jet Star, I am afraid that if consideration is not given to answering the question soon I will never be able to catch up on his use of the 707.

Mr. Muir (Cape Breton-The Sydneys): Mr. Speaker, may I refer to question No. 1,530 of March 18 in my name requesting the simple information as to the fees paid to people who have been hired by the present administration in the province of Nova Scotia since June 25, 1968. It would be most interesting to have the answer to this question. Certainly I cannot see any reason for the government not wanting to disclose how much money was received by people who possibly formerly have been Liberal candidates and by others.

Mr. Macquarrie: I should like to refer to an ancient question of January 21 regarding the SS Prince Edward Island. Now that the boat has been towed away I wonder whether someone could give us the information as to the number of tenders that were received.

Mr. Orlikow: I should like to refer to my question No. 1,002 of January 28, asking for the names of outside consultants, etc., hired by the Prime Minister's office or the Privy Council office, what they are doing and how much they are being paid. It is almost five months since I filed my question and I would hope that an answer could come down before the House adjourns.

Mr. Speaker: Shall the remaining questions stand?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

INFLATION—POSITION OF SIX PER CENT WAGE INCREASE GUIDELINE—MEASURES TO PRO-MOTE ACCEPTANCE

Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition): I should like to ask a question of the Acting Prime Minister in the absence of the Minister of Consumer and Corporate