

official languages, the report of the commission of inquiry into events at the B.C. Penitentiary from June 9 to June 11, 1975. This commission was under the chairmanship of Chief Justice John L. Farris.

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INDIAN AFFAIRS

TABLING OF AGREEMENT AMONG NATIVE GROUPS,
GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND GOVERNMENT OF QUEBEC

Mrs. Iona Campagnolo (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, pursuant to section 41(2) I wish to table, in both official languages, a document entitled "Agreement between the Grand Council of the Crees (of Quebec) and the Northern Quebec Inuit Association and the Government of Quebec and the Government of Canada", dated November 11, 1975, with the amendments dated December 12, 1975. Since the documents are rather bulky, they have already been forwarded to the table.

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MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY ACT

MEASURE TO PROVIDE FOR INSTALLATION IN MOTOR
VEHICLES OF PASSIVE RESTRAINT CRASH PROTECTION
DEVICES

Mr. David MacDonald (Egmont) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-444, to amend the Motor Vehicle Safety Act (passive restraint crash protection devices).

He said: Mr. Speaker, the purpose of this bill is to substantially reduce the number of injuries and deaths in highway accidents. It requires the installation of a passive restraint system, specifically instantly-inflatable air bags, in all cars manufactured in or imported into Canada after 1980.

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

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**CANADIAN AND BRITISH INSURANCE COMPANIES
ACT**

MEASURE TO PERMIT INSURANCE COMPANIES TO INVEST IN
BONDS OF GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL

Mr. Bob Kaplan (York Centre) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-445, to amend the Canadian and British Insurance Companies Act.

He said: Mr. Speaker, the Canadian and British Insurance Companies Act limits the insurance industry to investing in government securities only of the countries listed in the act. Presently on the list are such countries as Southern Ireland, Southern Rhodesia, the United Kingdom, Trinidad and Tobago, and so on. The purpose of this amendment is to add to that list the state of Israel so that the industry could also invest in state of Israel bonds

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which, unlike the bonds of some other countries, have never defaulted or been compromised.

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. J.-J. Blais (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: 4,151, 4,168, 4,399, 4,426, 4,539, 4,541, 4,574, 4,766, 5,146, 5,160, 5,216, 5,217, 5,300, 5,359, 5,410—which is a corrected reply—5,494, 5,495, 5,498, 5,513, 5,514, 5,520, 5,529, 5,547, 5,549, 5,558, 5,565, 5,640, 5,641, 5,655 to 5,683, inclusive, 5,697, 5,711, 5,712, 5,720, 5,741, 5,746, 5,749, 5,800, 5,803, 5,811 and 5,820.

[Text]

NEW UNIFORMS PROVIDED TO POSTAL CLERKS

Question No. 4,151—Mr. Crouse:

1. Were blazers, shirts and ties provided to postal clerks and, if so, who made the decision?
2. (a) In each case, how many were purchased (b) what was the cost?
3. Were tenders called for the supply of such uniforms and, if not, was the contract awarded by the Postmaster General?
4. (a) How long will the clothing issue last (b) what is the estimated renewal period?

Mr. Paul E. McRae (Parliamentary Secretary to Postmaster General): 1. Blazers, shirts or blouses, and ties or scarves were provided to postal clerks who regularly serve the public at postal counters. Under the labour agreement with the Canadian Union of Postal Workers, wicket clerks are to be provided with a clothing entitlement. To enhance the image of the department, management proposed and Treasury Board approved a change in the issue to the style recently introduced.

2. The quantities ordered are as follows:

	(a)	(b) Average Cost
Male Jackets	13,400	\$28.97
Female Jackets	8,800	35.50
Shirts	41,900	3.90
Blouses	28,100	3.45
Ties	29,400	1.47
Scarves	20,000	1.56
Identification Tags	15,000	0.33

3. Tenders were called for their provision.

4. (a) and (b) The costs include some reserve stock and the uniforms are expected to last two years.