

In so far as the Department of Public Works is concerned: 1. 1962-63, \$8,016; 1965-66, \$15,418; 1969-70, \$23,174; 1971-72, \$41,602; 1972-73, \$37,751.

2. Two.
3. N/A.

***LOAN TO LIGHT-SERVICOS DE ELECTRICIDADE SA, RIO DE JANEIRO**

Question No. 2,196—Mr. Reynolds:

1. With respect to answer to Question No. 1,720 as recorded at page 4,373 of *Hansard*, June 4, 1973, did any government agency or Crown Corporation make such loan of \$26 million to Light-Servicos De Electricidade SA?

2. Will the government undertake to provide the following information (a) is Light-Servicos De Electricidade SA, Rio de Janeiro owned in any part by Brascan and, if so, for what percentage (b) was Brascan formerly called Brazilian Traction Light and Power Company and were Messrs. Mitchell Sharp, Robert Winters and Jack Nicholson at one time officers in this company (c) does the government plan to acquire a share in Brascan similar to the negotiations of the British Columbia government to purchase interest in a Brascan coal venture (Sukunica, in the Peace River vicinity)?

Mr. John M. Reid (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, in so far as Export Development Corporation is concerned: 1. On December 15, 1972 it signed an agreement for the provision of financing in the amount of \$26.5 million to Light-Servicos de Electricidade S.A., to support an export sale of Canadian goods and services.

In so far as the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce is concerned: 2. (a) This information is not available. (b) This information is not available. (c) No.

AMARANTH RED No. 2

Question No. 2,217—Mr. Reynolds:

1. Is the government considering banning a substance called Amaranth Red No. 2 or simply, Red 2, currently used in a large variety of foods, drinks and cosmetics?

2. What research has the Food and Drug Directorate made into Red 2 and the reported harmful effects it is having on human reproduction?

3. What input has the Canadian Food and Drug Directorate had towards the FDA in the United States on Red 2 and what feedback from the FDA have we received?

Hon. Marc Lalonde (Minister of National Health and Welfare): 1. Amaranth (or FD and C Red No. 2, as it is called in the United States) has been the subject of intensive international investigation since 1970, yet results are still inconclusive. As recently as 1972, a sub-committee of the National Academy of Sciences recommended that there was insufficient reason to take measures to reduce the extent of human exposure to this food colour. Based upon all currently available scientific information regarding the levels of use and toxicological data on amaranth, the Department is of the opinion that no restrictive action is warranted at this time.

2. The Health Protection Branch maintains close contact with scientists engaged in this work in the United States and in other parts of the world.

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3. Results of international investigation have been inconclusive, although tests presently being conducted by the United States' Food and Drug Administration are expected to provide more conclusive data. Correspondence and direct communication is continuing between Health Protection Branch scientists and their U.S. counterparts to ensure that action appropriate to the findings may be quickly taken.

HEAVY ICEBREAKERS—INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

Question No. 2,343—Mr. Forrestall:

Do all heavy icebreakers, as listed in answer to Question No. 1,900, conform with internationally accepted standards as laid down by "Janes Fighting Ships" and, if not, whose description of heavy icebreaker do they meet?

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport): "Janes Fighting Ships" is not a regulatory society and does not prescribe standards for ships. The term "heavy icebreaker" describes an icebreaker with a minimum of 9,000 shaft horsepower capable of operating in the continuous mode through first year sea ice up to three feet thick and is a Canadian Coast Guard designation.

EMPLOYMENT OF MR. A. B. SULATYCKY

Question No. 2,372—Mr. Coates:

1. Is Mr. Allen B. Sulatycky employed or retained by the government for (a) services to the Banff Advisory Council (b) any other purpose and, if so, in each case, what is (i) the nature of his responsibility (ii) the rate of remuneration (iii) the date of commencement of the association (iv) the projected date of termination of the association?

2. In each case (a) what are the specific qualifications or other reasons that cause Mr. Sulatycky to be employed or retained (b) was any other lawyer or person considered for that employment or retention?

3. Was Mr. Sulatycky a Liberal Member of Parliament for Rocky Mountain constituency prior to the election of October 30, 1972?

4. Is Mr. Sulatycky a member of the Board of Panarctic Oils Limited and, if so (a) on what date was he appointed (b) for what reason was he appointed?

5. If Mr. Sulatycky is a member of the Board of Panarctic Oils Limited, is he a representative on that Board of (a) the government (b) the petroleum industry (c) the public?

6. If Mr. Sulatycky is a member of the Board of Panarctic Oils representing anyone other than the government, does a conflict of interest arise because he is employed or retained by the government for any other purpose?

7. Does Mr. Sulatycky now serve or has he ever served as counsel for groups or persons in their dealings with (a) the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (b) any other government department?

8. If Mr. Sulatycky does serve, or has served as counsel in such circumstances, does a conflict of interest arise because he is employed or retained by the government for any other purpose?

9. Did Mr. Sulatycky ever serve as Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development and, if so (a) during what period (b) with what specific responsibilities?

Mr. John M. Reid (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development as follows: 1. (a) No; (b) No.

2. (a) and (b) Not applicable.
3. Yes.