4. How many of those employees were earning more than \$18,000 annually, distributed according to \$1,000 intervals?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of Labour): 1. Information Canada commenced operations April 1, 1970. Six months after this, on October 1, 1970, there were 411 full-time employees.

| 2. | Salary | Number of | 4. | Salary | Nur | nber of |
|----|--------------|-----------|----|--------------|-----|---------|
| | Range | Employees | | Range | Em | ployees |
| | \$ | | | \$ | | |
| | 15,000-16,00 | 0 1 | | 18,000-18,99 | 99 | 2 |
| | 16,000-17,00 | 0 10 | | 19,000-19,99 | 99 | 6 |
| | 17,000-18,00 | 0 3 | | 20,000-20,9 | 99 | 10 |
| | 19,000-20,00 | 0 5 | | 21,000-21,9 | 99 | 3 |
| | 20,000-21,00 | 0 1 | | 22,000-22,9 | 99 | 4 |
| | 23,000-24,00 | 0 3 | | 25,000-25,9 | 99 | 2 |
| | 25,000-26,00 | 0 1 | | 26,000-26,9 | 99 | 3 |
| | 28,000-35,00 | 00 1 | | 27,000-27,9 | 99 | 1 |
| | | | | 28,000-35,0 | 00 | 2 |
| | | | | | | |

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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE PERSONNEL

Question No. 1,095-Mr. Paproski:

1. How many full-time employees were under salary in the Department of National Health and Welfare on (a) January 1, 1963 (b) January 1, 1973?

2. How many people in each of these years were receiving salaries of (a) under \$10,000 (b) between \$10,000 and \$20,000 (c) over \$20,000?

Hon. Marc Lalonde (Minister of National Health and Welfare): 1. (a) 5,427 (estimated); (b) 7,164.

2. Unable to provide salary figures from 1963 records available. January 31, 1973: (a) 5,257; (b) 1,399; (c) 508.

MANITOBA-GOVERNMENT'S MUSEUM POLICY

Question No. 1,177—Mr. Dinsdale:

1. What funds were made available for the government's policy for museums which was announced on March 28, 1972?

2. What applications for funds have been received from museum groups in Manitoba?

3. What projects have been approved to date?

4. What funds have been paid to those projects approved?

Hon. James Hugh Faulkner (Secretary of State): I am informed by the National Museums of Canada as follows: 1. \$8,100,000 in 1972-73

2 and 3. Requests for Assistance—Manitoba S. S. Keenora (Selkirk): *Eskimo Museum Manitoba Automobile Museum Foundation \$10,000; *Manitoba Museum of Man & Nature Travelling Planetarium \$145,800; *Winnipeg Art Gallery \$147,900; Manitoba Historical Society (MacDonald House) *Pioneer Home Museum \$6,500; Fort Gary Historical Society *Historical Museum Association (St. James— Assiniboia) \$5,500; *Ukrainian Cultural & Educational Centre \$23,000; *Manitoba Museum of Man & Nature—

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Associate Museum \$30,000; *Ukrainian Free Academy of Sciences in Canada \$8,500; *Leaf Rapids \$127,780; University of Manitoba (Virgil School of Art), *Manitoba Agricultural Museum Inc. \$87,630; *Transcona Museum \$9,500; *St. Boniface Museum \$25,500; *Hillcrest Museum \$1,750; Jewish Historical Society of Western Canada, Rapid City, Historical Society of St. Claude, La Société Historique de St. Georges, Archibald Historical Society, Swan Valley Museum, Keystone Pioneer Museum, Fort La Reine Museum, Woodlands Pioneer Museum, Cook's Creek Museum, Snow Lake Fun Festival, Prairie Living Museum, Wellington Crescent House, C.P.R. Station House, Association of Manitoba Museums.

*Items approved.

4. \$629,360.

POST OFFICE—THEFTS OF MAIL BAGS

Question No. 1,418-Mr. Laprise:

Were any thefts of mail bags reported in 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971 and 1972 on Air Canada service between Rouyn-Montreal and Montreal-Rouyn and, if so (a) how many (b) how many reimbursements were made (c) what was the average amount of such reimbursements (d) how many were not reimbursed?

Hon. André Ouellet (Postmaster General): (a) 1968, Nil; 1969, Nil; 1970, Nil; 1971, 1; 1972, 3.

(b) and (c)

| | | No. of Claims | Indemnity Paid \$ | Average Amount \$ |
|----|--------|------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 19 | 968 | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| 19 | 969 | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| 19 | 970 | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| 19 | 971 | 11 | 450.00 | 40.90 |
| 19 | 972 | 43 | 779.77 | 18.13 |
| | Totals | 54 | 1,229.77 | 22.77 |
| | | | | |

Generally speaking, information such as requested in (d) would not be available. We are, however, aware of one such case where the sender has not submitted a claim for loss.

DREE—INCENTIVE GRANT TO STEP LITE MANUFACTURING LTD.

Question No. 1,421-Mr. Dick:

Was an incentive grant in the amount of \$216,000 to Step Lite Manufacturing Ltd., announced by the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion on October 25, 1971 and, if so (a) has the grant been made, was it withdrawn or was it turned down (b) how much money has been given to the company, to date, in what months and in what amounts was the money forwarded (c) who are the directors of the company (d) who is the largest shareholder in the company (e) what citizenship is the largest shareholder (f) how many jobs were to be created at the time of the announcement (g) how many jobs were in fact created as of March 1, 1973 (h) how many employees were there on the company payroll as of March 1, 1973 (i) how much was the initial capitalization of the project (j) how much of the capitalization was put up by the owners (k) is the