opportunity to review its financial situation and the market conditions, can the corporation state whether there is any prospect that, in the future, it will be able to operate on a self-sustaining basis eliminating its operating loss and, if not, can the corporation state whether this division is expected to contribute to the operating income in a positive way or whether it is expected that it will, for the

indefinite future, be a drain on the profit-making divisions of the corporation? 2. What conditions would be required for this division to make a positive contribution to the operating income of Canadian National Railways?

Mr. Robert Bockstael (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): The management of Canadian National Railways advises as follows: 1. Internal studies conducted by CN confirm the general findings of the Sullivan Commission, i.e. that there is no apparent future role for the railway in terms of significant business opportunities and that continuation of rail operations on the present scale holds no prospect other than for a further deterioration in the present financial performance of Terratransport.

2. The deficit might be reduced in some measure by service adjustments; abandonment of lighter-density traffic sections; or by a major change in focus to, say, an integrated intermodal-type service. Such changes could not be expected, however, to put the rail operation on a commercially sound basis and if the rail system is to be continued as a matter of government policy, then CN must continue to seek compensation for the resulting shortfall.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR—CONSULTANTS UNDER CONTRACT

Question No. 757-Mr. Shields:

Since August 1, 1978, how many (a) administrative (b) policy consultants were under contract to the Department of Labour and/or any boards, commissions or corporations reporting to the minister and, in each case, what amount was paid to them?

Hon. Gerald Regan (Minister of Labour):

- (a) Four (4) administrative consultants—total cost \$44,662.
- (b) Six (6) policy consultants—total cost \$114,800.

Four (4) boards/commissions, etc.—total cost \$899,-300.

See reports below.

In so far as the Canada Labour Relations Board: none.

Administrative Contracts

Name	Number of	August 1, 1978 to March 31, 1980
	Contracts	Cost
Smith-Ault and Associates	1	\$ 7,000
Ronald Capelle Associates Ltd.	1	\$ 1,800
R. G. Consulting Ltd.	1	\$ 32,362
Ian Campbell	1	\$ 3,500
	Tota	al \$ 44,662
Policy Contracts		
		August 1, 1978 to March 31, 1978
Name	Number of	
	Contracts	Cost
J. Wanczycki	1	\$ 14,000
J. Mainwaring	1	\$ 22,000
K. Kaplansky	1	\$ 24,000
Smith-Auld and Associates	1	\$ 16,800

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Name	Number of Contracts	Cost
R. G. Consulting Ltd. G. McCaffrey	1 1	\$ 30,000 \$ 8,000
	Tota	1 \$114,800
Boards/Commissions		
		August 1, 1979 to March 31, 1980
R. Adams – paid educational leave F. Bairstow – wider-based	1	\$321,100
bargaining A. Carrothers – redundancies	1	\$156,000
and layoffs	1	\$299,000
R. Elfstrom - DEVCO explosion	1	\$123,200
	Tota	1 \$899,300

TEACHING OF SECOND LANGUAGE—NEW BRUNSWICK

Question No. 839-Mr. Howie:

For the fiscal year ended March 31 (a) 1978 (b) 1979, what amount was paid to New Brunswick to assist in the teaching of a second language?

Mr. Peter Stollery (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State and Minister of Communications): Under the federalprovincial agreements pertaining to the official languages in education, contributions to the province of New Brunswick in fiscal years 1977-78 and 1978-79 for the teaching of French as a second language were:

Fiscal Year	Amount
1977-78	\$1,830,542
1978-79	\$1,959,365

Note: Figures reported include payments totalling \$430,718 in 1977-78 and \$379,953 in 1978-79 respectively which apply to both minority official language education and second official language instruction. No further breakdown is available.

SECRETARY OF STATE—GRANTS TO EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Question No. 855-Mr. Crouse:

1. During the year (a) 1976 (b) 1977 (c) 1978 (d) 1979 (e) 1980, what grants, if any, were awarded by the Department of the Secretary of State to the universities or post secondary educational institutions in Nova Scotia and, in each case, were such grants given under programs of general application and (i) if so, what were the programs (ii) if not, what were the special circumstances which formed the basis for a special grant?

2. What was the amount of the grant, in each case?

3. Did the department oversee the actual use of such moneys or monitor its effect and, if so, in each case, by what method?

Mr. Peter Stollery (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State and Minister of Communications): 1. In so far as the education support programs branch is concerned no grants were awarded by the department in the years in question to universities or post-secondary educational institutions in Nova Scotia.

2 and 3. Not applicable.

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