

Order Paper Questions

2. The Minister of Transport does not establish the form of specification measurements that appear on rolling stock. See also answer to 1 above.

3. Railway track gauges will not change but will eventually be expressed in metric units. The current industry target for this is 1988.

4. No.

5. The equipment resulting from the Tilby-Miller sugar cane separation technology will be manufactured by both Intercane Systems Inc., and Hawker-Siddeley Canada Inc., and will be made according to the specifications required in the country where it is being used.

6. No.

7. (a) Yes. The appropriate industry sector committee (aircraft and aircraft parts manufacturers) has scheduled conversion to metric units within its industry in the period 1988/89. Sector committees are made up largely of industry representatives and act in the interest of the industry concerned.

(b) The Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce has no intention of introducing regulations requiring manufacturers to use metric units. Industries are free to provide their goods and services in the units of measure their customers desire.

[English]

STARRED QUESTIONS

Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, would you be so kind as to call starred question No. 2,784?

[Translation]

Mr. Marcel Ostiguy (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Agriculture): Madam Speaker, I have here the answer to question 2,784. I could read it but it is rather lengthy so, with unanimous consent, perhaps I could table it.

Madam Speaker: Is there agreement for the tabling of this answer?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[Editor's Note: The answer referred to is as follows:]

[Text]

*EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE

Question No. 2,784—**Mr. McMillan:**

With reference to the answer to Question No. 2,308 concerning trips between Ottawa and Prince Edward Island taken at government expense by Mr. James Fay, Executive Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture (a) with what individuals or groups did he meet (b) what was the (i) date (ii) location (iii) duration (iv) purpose of each meeting?

Mr. Marcel Ostiguy (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Agriculture):

Individuals or groups met	(b)(i) Date	(ii) Location	(iii) Duration	(iv) Purpose of each meeting
<u>Trip number 1</u>				
Island Growers	September 2, 1980	Charlottetown	all-day session	To obtain information on the intent of the Island Growers re the proposed Potato Agency for Eastern Canada
<u>Trip number 2</u>				
Prince Edward Island Potato Producers Association	October 16, 1980	Charlottetown	three and one-half hours	To discuss updated data on proposed Eastern Canada Potato Agency Plan
<u>Trip number 3</u>				
Prince Edward Island Potato Producers Association	December 19, 1980	Charlottetown	two and one-half hours	To discuss draft plans for Eastern Canada Potato Agency as a result of the September 2, 1980 hearings in Charlottetown
<u>Trip number 3</u>				
John MacDonald, Member P.E.I. Potato Producers Association	December 20, 1980	Souris, P.E.I.	2 hours	To discuss possible Potato Stabilization for the 1979 crop year for Maritimes