

Order Paper Questions

has broken down to be dissolved. It also eliminates the question of fault under this ground for divorce.

Mr. Baker (Grenville-Carleton): Is this a government bill? Are you doing this for the government or for yourself?

Mr. Speaker: Order please. The proposed seconder of the motion, as indicated to me by the hon. member for Toronto-Lakeshore (Mr. Robinson), is not in the House. I took the liberty of naming another hon. member. In view of the rather controversial subject matter of the bill, that may have been a liberty the Chair ought not to have taken, and perhaps the bill should stand until the proposed seconder is in the House.

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MANAGEMENT AND MEMBERS' SERVICES

CONCURRENCE IN THIRD REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Mr. Robert C. Coates (Cumberland-Colchester North) moved that the third report of the Standing Committee on Management and Members' Services be concurred in.

Motion agreed to.

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[Translation]

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

Mr. Maurcie A. Dionne (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Defence): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: 1,776, 2,214, 2,414, 2,416 and 2,419.

I ask, Mr. Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

[Text]

GOVERNMENT PROCEDURES TO ENSURE CBC CONFORMS TO ITS OBJECTIVES

Question No. 1,776—**Mr. Herbert:**

What procedures does the government use to ensure that the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation conforms to its objectives?

Hon. John Roberts (Secretary of State): On December 2, 1976, the Secretary of State appeared before the Standing Committee on Broadcasting, Films and Assistance to the Arts where this matter was raised. At that time, the minister stated that parliament has imposed upon the Secretary of State a self-denying ordinance with respect to the CBC, which is to say that the day to day operations of the corporation are a matter for CBC management. However, Parliament has certain instruments of examination, the principal one of which is the Standing Committee on Broadcasting, Films and Assistance to the Arts, before which the Corporation appears annually. More important, parliament, through the enactment of the Broadcasting Act in 1968, established an agency to regulate and supervise all aspects of the Canadian broadcasting

[Mr. Robinson.]

policy enunciated in Section 3 of the Act. As it is known, the Government has asked the CRTC to undertake an inquiry to determine whether the French and English networks of the corporation are fulfilling its mandate.

GOVERNMENT GRANTS TO CBC OVER PAST 10 YEARS

Question No. 2,214—**Mr. Woolliams:**

What was the total amount lent by the government to CBC over the past ten years?

Hon. John Roberts (Secretary of State):

Fiscal Year	Amount
1967-68	\$ 21,300,000
1968-69	22,200,000
1969-70	24,700,000
1970-71	5,300,000
1971-72	33,040,000
1972-73	22,000,000
1973-74	55,934,000
1974-75	0
1975-76	0
1976-77	0
1977-78	0
Total	\$184,474,000

Commencing in the 1974-75 fiscal year, the CBC capital vote became a budgetary item not subject to repayment. The above does not include: (a) funds advanced to the CBC for the construction of broadcasting facilities at Toronto, for the Ontario Educational Communications Authority (OECA). These funds, authorized by Order in Council were in the amount of \$630,000 in 1969-70, \$310,000 in 1975, \$700,000 in 1976 and \$150,000 in 1977. These monies are fully repayable by the Ontario Educational Communications Authority; (b) the approved increase (1976-77 Supplementary (D) Estimate) in the working capital of the CBC by \$10 million for a total working capital base of \$25 million.

IGLOOLIK RESEARCH STATION

Question No. 2,414—**Mr. Firth:**

1. How many scientists from outside the Northwest Territories used the Igloolik Research Station in (a) 1975 (b) 1976?
2. How many (a) government officials (b) Territorial government officials visited the Igloolik Research Station in (i) 1975 (ii) 1976?
3. (a) Are such visits by Territorial and Federal officials subject to the approval of the Igloolik Settlement Council (b) are the activities of the Igloolik Research Station subject to the approval of the Igloolik Settlement Council?
4. What is the number and type of research projects being conducted from the Igloolik Research Station?

Mr. B. Keith Penner (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): 1. Most projects usually last over a long period of time and several scientists may be involved in each of the projects. In addition there may be laboratory technicians and assistants who work with the scientists. The number of scientists using the Igloolik Research Station during 1975 and 1976 was between 20 to 30 for each year.