Transport Votes 1b, L3b, 10b, 30b, L56b, 62b, 63b, 85b, 86b, 88b, 92b, 99b, L101b and 102b

To the Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs:

Veterans Affairs Votes 5b, 10b, 30b and 45b

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. It being taken, with the announcement made earlier this day, that the said supplementary estimates be deemed to have been tabled by the President of the Treasury Board (Mr. Chrétien), the House has heard the motion on referral by the President of the Privy Council (Mr. Sharp), having made reference to the lists which have been circulated concerning those specific referrals. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. Speaker: Agreed and so ordered.

OUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. J.-J. Blais (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: 3,336, 3,880, 3,895, 3,954 to 3,959 inclusive, 3,983, 3,992, 3,997, 4,037, 4,066 to 4,069 inclusive and 4,113.

[Text]

EXPULSION OF DIPLOMATS

Question No. 3,336-Mr. Clark:

As of October 31, 1975, how many persons accredited as diplomats to Canada have been expelled from any other country and, in each case (a) who is the individual (b) by what country was that individual expelled (c) on what date did the expulsion occur (d) for what reason was that individual accredited as a diplomat to Canada?

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Secretary of State for External Affairs): (a) The government has no information that any accredited diplomat in Canada on October 31, 1975 had been expelled from another country. (b) See answer to (a). (c) See answer to (a).

SUPPLY AND SERVICES—CONTRACT AWARDED TO WOODS GORDON & COMPANY

Question No. 3,880-Mr. Beatty:

- 1. Did the government award a \$50,000 contract to Woods, Gordon and Company for development of a non-police mobile computer terminal and, if so (a) how was this contract advertised prior to being awarded (b) on what date is the Woods, Gordon study to be completed (c) to whom will it be made available (d) on what date was the contract awarded?
 - 2. Were other bids received and, if so, in each case, in what amount?
- 3. What uses does the government expect that the non-police market will have for mobile computer terminals?
- 4. On what date will the government's study of specifications for a mobile computer terminal for police cars be completed?

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5. Does the government expect to begin installing mobile terminals in police cars and, if so, on what date?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Minister of Supply and Services): 1. The government has awarded a contract for approximately \$50,000 to Woods, Gordon and Company. However, it was for a Study of the User Requirements for Mobile Radio Systems for the Non-Police Market, and not for the development of a Non-Police Mobile Computer Terminal. (a) Requests for proposal were sent to six companies considered capable of completing the tasks. (b) The Woods, Gordon Study was to be complete on or before December 31, 1975. (c) Subject to the deletion of confidential information and editing, the study will not be classified. After completion of the editing, the existence of the study will be made known probably by means of a trade press release and it will be available on request. (d) The contract was awarded on June 30, 1975.

- 2. Four proposals were received as follows: Price Waterhouse Associates, \$48,000.00; Woods, Gordon and Company, \$57,800.00; Kenneth Logan and Associates, \$49,770.00; Bell Northern Research, \$49,450.00. The prices indicated were estimates only, calculated by multiplying firm rates by estimated time, and the time estimates were not binding on the companies. The Woods, Gordon proposal was chosen following a joint evaluation conducted by the Science Procurement Officer of the Department of Supply and Services and the customer department Scientific Authority (Department of Communications), as the one offering the best overall value for the Crown and the price was negotiated downwards to \$49,550.
- 3. The main users identified as being potentially interested in Mobile Radio Systems are, for example, taxis and courier services, telephone and gas utility repair trucks, transit vehicles, and railways. The uses this market will have for Mobile Radio Systems are the very object of the study.

4 and 5. refer to the police market and are not relevant to this contract. There is no information on this topic.

HABITAT

Question No. 3,895—Miss MacDonald (Kingston and the Islands):

- 1. Have papers been commissioned in connection with Habitat and, if so (a) what were they (b) how were the contracts tendered?
- 2. What is the cost to the government of such papers for (a) having them written (b) printing and distribution?
 - 3. What is the expected date of publication of such papers?
 - 4. What plans have been made for their distribution?

Mr. Jean-Robert Gauthier (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State for Urban Affairs): 1. No papers have been commissioned in connection with Habitat.

- 2. Not applicable.
- 3. Not applicable.
- 4. Not applicable.