

Order Paper Questions

CAST COMBAT GROUP

Question No. 645—**Mr. McKinnon:**

1. Is the CAST combat group role assigned at the present time to the 5^e Groupe-Brigade du Canada and, if so, what (a) manpower (b) equipment can the group contribute to AMF(L)?

2. Did the Minister of National Defence announce on October 31, 1978, that he wanted to base the CAST combat group role as much as possible on one formation, and did he also announce that effective September 1980, this role would be assigned to the Special Service Force and, if so, will the CAST combat group role rest solely with the SSF and, if not, which other units will also contribute to it?

3. When the role is assigned to the SSF, what (a) manpower (b) equipment will the group be able to contribute to AMF(L)?

Hon. Barney Danson (Minister of National Defence): 1. (a) and (b) Yes. However, manpower and equipment for the AMF(L) battalion group is provided by the special service force.

2. Yes. The special service force will only be augmented by one battalion group from one Canadian brigade group.

3. All.

DND BUDGET

Question No. 646—**Mr. McKinnon:**

1. Of the \$150 million cut in DND's budget announced on September 8, 1978, what amount will be cut in the fiscal year (a) 1978-79 (b) 1979-80?

2. What amount will come from the (a) operations and maintenance budget (b) capital budget?

3. What effect will the \$150 million have on the base figures in Votes 1 and 10 which are used in calculating budget increases in accordance with the 1975 formula for increases?

Hon. Barney Danson (Minister of National Defence): 1. (a) and (b) The \$150 million reduction in the defence services budget will be made in fiscal year 1979-80.

2. (a) \$102 million.

(b) \$48 million—mostly in the capital construction program.

3. The reduction will be a one year decrease in spending authority and will not affect the base figures of vote 1 and vote 5 which will be used to calculate the next year's requirements in accordance with the 1975 formula. Vote 10 will not be affected by the reduction.

PROJECT SAMSON

Question No. 647—**Mr. McKinnon:**

Is Project SAMSON, originally scheduled for completion in mid-1976, now in (a) full (b) partial operation and if the latter, on what date will it be in full operation?

Hon. Barney Danson (Minister of National Defence): (a) No. (b) Yes. Early 1980.

[Mr. De Bané.]

NEW FIGHTER AIRCRAFT

Question No. 650—**Mr. McKinnon:**

1. On what date will delivery of the new fighter aircraft begin?

2. On what date will the new fighter aircraft enter squadron service?

Hon. Barney Danson (Minister of National Defence): 1. It is expected that the first aircraft will be delivered by the manufacturer in January, 1982.

2. Mid 1983.

U.I.C.—FREDERICTON, N.B.

Question No. 684—**Mr. Howie:**

As of November 1, 1978, approximately how many persons received unemployment insurance from the Fredericton, New Brunswick Office?

Hon. Bud Cullen (Minister of Employment and Immigration): Four thousand eight hundred. Beneficiary statistics are gathered at the end of every month. The above figure represents data gathered on October 31, 1978.

CANADA MANPOWER INDUSTRIAL TRAINING PROGRAM—
FREDERICTON, N.B.Question No. 685—**Mr. Howie:**

For the fiscal year ended March 31, 1978, how many persons have benefited from the Canada Manpower Industrial Training Programme in Fredericton, New Brunswick?

Hon. Bud Cullen (Minister of Employment and Immigration): During the fiscal year ended March 31, 1978, 604 persons commenced training under the Canada Manpower Industrial Training Program in Fredericton, New Brunswick.

EMPLOYMENT OFFICE—FREDERICTON, N.B.

Question No. 687—**Mr. Howie:**

On November 1, 1978, how many persons were registered for work at the Fredericton, New Brunswick employment office?

Hon. Bud Cullen (Minister of Employment and Immigration): On November 1, 1978, there was a total of 8,777 persons who were registered for work at the Fredericton, New Brunswick Canada Employment Centre.

ON THE JOB TRAINING—FREDERICTON, N.B.

Question No. 727—**Mr. Howie:**

Since January 1, 1978, how many persons have benefited from on the job training under the manpower training programmes in Fredericton, New Brunswick?

Hon. Bud Cullen (Minister of Employment and Immigration): During the period January 1, 1978 to December 11, 1978, 815 persons commenced training under the Canada Manpower Industrial Training Program in Fredericton, New Brunswick. All of this training involved on-the-job instruction.