

Questions

6. Has the Department of Regional Economic Expansion made any grants to the tobacco industry and, if so, who were the recipients and what were the amounts of each grant?

Mr. J. A. Jerome (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): 1. During the fiscal year 1969-70 excise duty of \$193,791,-374.63 and excise tax of \$291,346,502.56 was collected on cigars, cigarettes, and manufactured tobacco. In addition, the general sales tax applies to these items but statistics are not available as to the revenue which has resulted from the sale of individual products.

2. 1968-69, \$536,160. 1969-70, \$489,337.

3. For fiscal year 1968-69 an amount of \$239,649 was spent by the Health Services Branch of the Department of National Health and Welfare for research and health education to discourage cigarette smoking in Canada.

4. The policy of the Department of National Health and Welfare is to discourage cigarette smoking and for those who continue to smoke, to encourage the use of less hazardous products and ways to smoke.

5. The Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce in the fiscal year 1969-70 spent approximately \$15,000 on a trade mission promoting the export of tobacco.

6. Yes. During the fiscal year ending March 31, 1970, the offers under A.D.I.A. were made to: Tobacco Acres Ltd., Brooklyn, P.E.I., \$29,606; Joseph C. Spriet, Montague, P.E.I., \$7,219; Belfast Tobacco Growers, Belfast, P.E.I., \$80,000; Island Tobacco, Montague, P.E.I., \$260,000; Iona Farms Ltd., Iona, P.E.I., \$42,089; John A. Power Ltd., Greenfields, P.E.I., \$4,700; Riverbrook Farms Ltd., Hillarton, N.S., \$18,000; Bastos du Canada, Louiseville, Que., \$467,502.

CANADIAN AID TO FRANCOPHONE AFRICA

Question No. 1,964—**Mr. Skoberg:**

1. What is the total amount of Canada's aid program to Francophone, Africa?

2. Does the government have data on the amount of aid from the Province of Quebec to Francophone, Africa and, if so, what is the total of such aid?

3. How many Canadian embassies are located in Francophone, Africa?

4. When were these embassies built or acquired?

5. How many employees are on staff at each embassy?

6. What is the total amount paid in salaries at each embassy?

7. What is the total amount paid for the upkeep of each embassy?

[Mr. Douglas (Assiniboia).]

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): In so far as the Canadian International Development Agency and the Department of External Affairs are concerned: 1. The total amount of funds allocated for Canada's bilateral aid program to Francophone Africa is \$34.1 million for the fiscal year 1969/70.

2. No.

3. There are five Canadian Embassies located in Francophone Africa at the present time.

4. These chanceries were acquired at the following times: Dakar, Senegal: leased in 1966, then purchased in 1968. Abidjan, Ivory Coast: leased in 1969. Tunis, Tunisia: leased in 1966. Kinshasa, Congo: leased in 1967, a former building was leased by this Department in 1963 but prior to that date was occupied by the Canadian Trade Commissioner Service for a number of years. Yaounde, Cameroun: leased in 1963.

5. Number of employees:

	Canada based	Locally engaged	Total
Dakar	11	7	18
Abidjan	7	8	15
Tunis	8	7	15
Kinshasa	9	7	16
Yaounde	8	9	17

6. Salaries: Dakar, \$144,065; Abidjan, \$77,941; Tunis, \$98,508; Kinshasa, \$76,489; Yaounde, \$91,318.

7. Operations costs*: Dakar, \$349,646; Abidjan, \$221,794; Tunis, \$166,745; Kinshasa, \$245,429; Yaounde, \$252,501.

* Figures are based on 1969-70 fiscal year.

USE OF COMPUTER, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Question No. 1,975—**Mr. Robinson:**

1. Does the Department of Public Works have the use of a computer in its operations and, if so, to what extent is it utilized?

2. Is the computer programmed 24 hours per day and, if not, for what reason?

3. What is the number of hours planned for utilization of the computer?

4. What has been the annual cost of computer services for each year 1960 to 1970 inclusive?

5. How many programmes are in preparation for the computer at the present time and how will each affect the efficiency of the Department?