

## Order Paper Questions

3. (a) On what dates did Mrs. Pageau take such lessons (b) who authorized such lessons and on what date?

**Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council):** I am informed by the Post Office Department and the Public Service Commission as follows: 1. \$25,500-\$32,500.

2. No individual costing is maintained because the students attend courses for various lengths of time. (See also answer to question No. 24 (3) (Tabled January 22, 1975).

3. (a) Mrs. F. Pageau did not receive French language lessons. She undertook English language training under the arrangements in effect with the language bureau during 1970-71, 1971-72, 1972-73 and 1973-74. Classes were normally held two times a week. Individual dates cannot be verified. (b) Authorization is obtained for each course year through the personnel division of the department or agency in which the candidate's husband is employed.

## TOURISM BROCHURES

Question No. 1,952—**Mr. Reynolds:**

1. Was a contract awarded in March 1974 to Pierre Desmarais Inc., Saint-Laurent, Quebec for 1,325,000 tourism brochures at a cost of \$535,000?

2. For what department did the Department of Supply and Services procure such booklets?

3. Are such booklets to be provided on a bon gratis basis?

4. Where will such brochures be directed in terms of distribution?

5. Were tenders called on the contract and, if so, what companies tendered?

**Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council):** I am informed by the Departments of Supply and Services and Industry, Trade and Commerce as follows: 1. Yes. The contract was issued February 5, 1974. The News Release of the award of contract was dated March 7, 1974.

2. Canadian Government Office of Tourism, Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

3. Yes, such booklets are to be provided on a bon gratis basis.

4. Such brochures will be directed in terms of distribution mainly to the United States; to a lesser extent within Canada; to a very limited extent in Europe.

5. Thirty-five firms in six provinces were invited to tender of which the following companies submitted tenders: Ashton Potter Ltd., Toronto, Ontario; C. F. Haughton Ltd., Agincourt, Ontario; Rolph-Clark-Stone Limited, Bramalea, Ontario; Graphic Centre Ontario Ltd., Toronto, Ontario; Pierre DesMarais Inc., St. Laurent, Quebec; Ronalds-Federated Ltd., Montreal, Quebec; Gazette Canadian Printing Ltd., Montreal, Quebec; Montreal Lithographing Ltd., Laval, Quebec.

## SUPPLY AND SERVICES—SPECIFICATIONS

Question No. 2,012—**Mr. Reynolds:**

1. Is there a function within the Department of Supply and Services that advises user departments or agencies how to tailor specifications economically and effectively?

2. What control does Treasury Board have in this area?

**Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Minister of Supply and Services):** 1. Advice to user departments and agencies on the

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development of specifications in particular subject areas is available from the Department of Supply and Services product centre that has the total supply management responsibility for the subject areas concerned.

2. The Treasury Board has no control nor direct involvement in this area.

## SUPPLY AND SERVICES—REVOLVING FUND

Question No. 2,019—**Mr. Reynolds:**

1. Within what parameter does the "revolving fund" operate within the Department of Supply and Services?

2. How much money is allocated to the fund?

3. In what instance are amounts of monies exceeded over and above the limited amount?

**Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Minister of Supply and Services):** 1. The Supply Revolving Fund operates within the duties and powers set out in Section 5 of the Department of Supply and Services Act.

2. Seventy-five million as of March 31, 1975.

3. The limited amount is never exceeded.

## CCGS "JOHN CABOT"

Question No. 2,078—**Mr. McKinnon:**

With reference to a Department of Supply and Services bulletin indicating that CCGS *John Cabot* is to undergo repairs under two contracts for a total of \$2,399,600, is this 10-year old ship being re-engined at this early stage in her life and (a) if so, for what reason (b) if not, what is the nature of the repairs?

**Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Minister of Supply and Services):** (a) No. (b) The work consists of repairs to propulsion machinery and auxiliary equipment resulting from an Engine Room fire.

## POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT—PERSONNEL COSTS

Question No. 2,141—**Mr. Herbert:**

What percentage of the 1975-76 total budget of the Post Office Department is for personnel costs and benefits, including all labour and wage related items?

**Mr. Raynald Guay (Parliamentary Secretary to Postmaster General):** 72.2 per cent.

## MOOSE JAW ARMOURIES RENOVATIONS

Question No. 2,192—**Mr. Neil:**

What was the total cost of the renovations recently carried out to Moose Jaw Armouries in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan?

**Hon. James Richardson (Minister of National Defence):** The total cost of the renovations to the Moose Jaw Armouries is as follows: Replace heating system, \$106,126; Washroom renovations, \$31,342; Total, \$137,468.