

Routine Proceedings

Expenditure authority of 4.7 million budget year dollars was granted to purchase training equipment and furniture; to carry out minor renovations to an interim facility; to perform project management activities; and to undertake the design and the development of firm cost estimates for the construction of the long-term facility.

Preliminary approval was given to construct a standard design Naval Reserve Division permanent facility. Final approval to construct the permanent facility is expected to be sought during the spring of 1995, after the preliminary design and environmental studies have been completed.

Approval in principle was provided to lease an interim facility and to purchase the property for the permanent site. Expenditure authority to lease the interim facility and to purchase the permanent site will be sought after the market appraisals and property negotiations have been completed and the offer to lease or sell has been signed by the owner of the site selected.

(b) The new Naval Reserve Division will recruit and train 100 primary naval reservists. New recruits will initially learn basic seamanship skills, ceremonial drill, and military general regulations and procedures.

Those who successfully complete recruit training will be assigned to a specific naval occupation. The occupational training will include seamanship, navigation, maritime engineering, communications, cooking, logistics, medical support and administration.

(c) Sixteen instructors (reservist) will be needed to carry out training within the Naval Reserve Division.

(d) Ten full-time military jobs will be created. No civilian jobs will be created.

(e) The interim facility will be located in the West Royalty Industrial Park. This is the only location in Charlottetown with existing facilities which are available for lease and which, with minor renovations, are suitable for the near-term accommodation requirements of the new unit. The near-term berthing requirements of the Naval Reserve will need to be met by leasing space at an existing marina.

The long-term needs of the Naval Reserve Division will be met by constructing a standard design facility on the downtown Charlottetown harbourfront.

This location will provide the Naval Reserve Division with high visibility, accessibility and a distinctly nautical presence within the local community. This image is important to a Naval Reserve Division because it enhances recruitment and determines how well the unit will be accepted into the local community. In addition, a Naval Reserve Division needs ready access to its small boats and to navigable waters to carry out afloat training.

The Department of National Defence has asked the Charlottetown Area Development Corporation to identify a firm site option on the downtown Charlottetown harbourfront for the permanent Naval Reserve facility.

The cost of the property will not be known until negotiations have been completed.

(f) No.

(i) N/A.

(ii) The design of the permanent facility will commence after a firm site option has been identified and purchased.

Design activities are scheduled to begin in May 1994. The design work will primarily include the site adaptation of a standard design Naval Reserve Division facility which was previously developed by the Department of National Defence. To minimize time and cost, the site adaptation will be carried out by Public Works Canada (Atlantic) in accordance with a specific services agreement with the Department of National Defence.

Question No. 499—Mr. Althouse:

1. How much methyl bromide is used in Canada on an annual basis for each of the following uses: (a) commodity and quarantine fumigation (b) soil fumigation (c) residential fumigation;

2. What proposals to reduce the use of methyl bromide are being put forward by Canada in each of the next four years in the areas of: (a) commodity and quarantine fumigation (b) soil fumigation (c) residential fumigation; and

3. Are warning labels on produce grown with the use of methyl bromide being contemplated at consumer point of purchase?

Mr. Charles A. Langlois (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): I am informed by the Departments of the Environment and National Health and Welfare as follows: