

Order Paper Questions

2. Was the practice of granting knighthoods and peerages abolished and, if so, on what date?

3. Does the government intend to revert to this practice and, if not, for what reason?

Hon. John Roberts (Secretary of State): 1. Comprehensive records have not been kept concerning the number of Canadians which have received knighthoods and peerages during this century.

2. The practice of granting knighthoods and peerages to Canadians was abolished in 1919 when the House of Commons adopted the Nickel resolution requesting King George V to cease the practice of conferring upon Canadians honours to which titles were attached. This policy has been adhered to by successive government since 1919, with the exception of the Bennett administration, which recommended 17 Canadians for knighthoods during 1934 and 1935.

3. No. The government does not intend to revert to the practice of conferring knighthoods and peerages because to do so would not be in accord with long-standing custom and policy.

TRAVEL—TRANSPORTATION FOR MINISTER OF STATE FOR FITNESS AND AMATEUR SPORT

Question No. 2,538—Mr. McKinnon:

1. Was a government Falcon aircraft despatched to Europe for the main purpose of supplying transportation for the Minister of State for Fitness and Amateur Sport from April 20 to May 11, 1977?

2. What was the total cost to the public of Falcon flight 3013, which left Canada, Uplands Airport on April 20 until the time when the Minister finished using the plane and returned to Canada?

3. What were all the flights and the destinations of and passengers carried on Falcon number 503, between the period April 20 and May 11, 1977?

Hon. Barney Danson (Minister of National Defence): 1. Yes.

2. See reply to Question No. 2,881.

3. See Annex A.

Date and Place of Departure	Date and Place of Arrival	No. of Passengers
Apr 20, 1977 Ottawa	Apr 21, 1977 Lahr	Nil
Apr 24, 1977 Lahr	Apr 24, 1977 Zurich	Nil
Apr 25, 1977 Zurich	Apr 25, 1977 Vienna	4
Apr 27, 1977 Vienna	Apr 27, 1977 Rome	7
May 2, 1977 Rome	May 2, 1977 Frankfurt Main	6
May 2, 1977 Frankfurt Main	May 2, 1977 Schonefeld (East Berlin)	6
May 4, 1977 Schonefeld (East Berlin)	May 4, 1977 Warsaw	5
May 7, 1977 Warsaw	May 7, 1977 Vienna	5
May 9, 1977 Vienna	May 9, 1977 Budapest	5
May 11, 1977 Budapest	May 11, 1977 Zurich	5
May 11, 1977 Zurich	May 11, 1977 Lahr	Nil

UIC—MRS. ROBERT KINGSLEY

Question No. 2,539—Mr. Cossitt:

1. Was Mrs. Robert Kingsley called in for an interview by the Unemployment Insurance Commission and, if so (a) did the interview take place in Rockland, [Mr. Jones.]

Ontario and, if not, in what location did it take place (b) on what date and at what time (c) which of the following benefit control officers from the Ottawa office of the UIC were present or conducting the interview (i) Mr. Jim Miles (ii) Mr. André Ethier (iii) Mr. Paul Labelle (iv) Mr. Jim MacDonald (v) Mr. Claude Charron (vi) Mr. Stan Wells (vii) Mr. Jim Harkness (viii) Mr. Brent Scarfe (ix) Mr. Archie Gauthier (x) Mr. Jim Bristol (xi) Mr. John Newfeld (d) was the purpose of the interview to interrogate Mrs. Kingsley on the question of her drawing UIC benefits while supposedly available for work whereas in actual fact she was in the United States on a vacation?

2. Was Mrs. Kingsley accompanied at any time during the interview by her husband, Mr. Robert Kingsley, presently Canada Manpower Regional Manager of Operations working out of Ottawa and, if so (a) did Mr. Kingsley state to the UIC personnel present: "Do you know who I am?" (b) is Mr. Kingsley the same person formerly employed by the UIC as Manager of its Ottawa office, Regional Manager of the UIC Pay Centre in Montreal, etc.?

3. Did Mr. Kingsley in any way attempt to use influence in regard to the manner in which UIC personnel dealt with his wife and, if so, what is being done about this matter?

Hon. Bud Cullen (Minister of Manpower and Immigration):

1. Mrs. Kingsley was directed to attend a routine interview as a result of normal computer selection process and her claim was found in order. (a) Yes; (b) February 28, 1977 at 11:30 a.m.; (c) None; (d) No.

2. Yes; (a) Yes; (b) yes.

3. The investigation is continuing and therefore the commission is not in a position to provide information at this time.

WASTE CYCLING

Question No. 2,542—Mr. Clarke:

1. Has the government taken any measurements to implement the recommendation of the Gamma report that an externality tax be levied against industries as a means of controlling pollution?

2. Has the government taken any action to encourage communities to develop their own waste system and, if so, in what manner?

3. Has the government provided any incentives to reduce waste at the production level or has the government taken any measures to promote production of goods that create minimum environmental problems?

4. Has the government considered increasing the number of subsidies to recycle companies?

5. Is the government presently providing any research and development grants to recycling industries and, if so (a) to whom (b) in what amounts?

6. Do the same tax advantages exist for recycling industries as those which exist for industries classified as engaged in a manufacturing, mining or processing function and (a) if so, what are they (b) if not, what differences exist?

7. Are freight rates applied to virgin materials less than those applied to recycled materials and, if so, for what reason?

Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Departments of Finance, Fisheries and the Environment, Industry, Trade and Commerce, National Revenue and Transport as follows: 1. An externality tax would impose a levy on the output of pollution. In order to be effective and equitable, such a tax would have to be graduated according to the harm done by various pollutants, which varies by type, quantity, geographical location, and presence or absence of other substances in the atmosphere or water. Of course, continuous monitoring of the output of pollution at the plant, apartment and household level would be necessary in order to determine the tax base. Any implementation of such a tax would have to await detailed knowledge of the harm done by various pollutants and