

*Orders for Returns*PUBLIC SERVICE—NUMBER OF ENGLISH SPEAKING
PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN FRENCH COURSESQuestion No. 1,393—**Mr. Matte:**

1. How many English speaking public servants took French courses in 1968, 1969, 1970 and 1971?
2. Where did they take these courses?
3. How are these courses paid for?
4. What amount was spent on these courses in 1968, 1969, 1970 and 1971?

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PURCHASE OF HEATING OIL FOR FEDERAL BUILDINGS
IN QUEBEC AND OTTAWA REGIONQuestion No. 1,396—**Mr. Comtois:**

Regarding the purchase of heating oil for all facilities and all federal buildings in the Province of Quebec and in the Ottawa Region (a) during the past three years, who supplied the heating oil for all such buildings and facilities (b) during each year, what was the cost of the oil per gallon (categories 1, 2 and 6) (c) during each year what was the cost of transportation for the oil (d) were the contracts awarded following public or private tenders (e) were tenders called for the purchase of free refinery oil or free destination oil (f) have specific prices been asked for the purchase and transportation of the oil and, if so, what savings resulted?

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FEDERAL PAYMENTS TO GREY ROCKS INN, ST. JOVITE,
QUEBECQuestion No. 1,499—**Mr. Schumacher:**

1. During the fiscal years 1969-70 and 1970-71, were any payments made to Grey Rocks Inn, St. Jovite, Quebec by the government and if so (a) what was the amount in each case (b) what were the reasons for each such payment (c) to whom was each such payment made (d) for which departments were such payments made?
2. Who are the owners of Grey Rocks Inn, St. Jovite, Quebec?
3. To the knowledge of the government, is the ownership a partnership or private corporation and, if so, who are the principals involved?

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WELLINGTON CONSTITUENCY—1971 CENSUS

Question No. 1,587—**Mr. Hales:**

1. What are the names and addresses of the Census Commissioners and the Census representatives that were hired by the government to take the 1971 Census in the constituency of Wellington?
2. What are the names and addresses of those people who checked and scrutinized the Census Returns before they were sent to the Toronto Regional Office and then to Statistics Canada?
3. What was the salary paid to each?

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[Mr. Coates.]

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

TRADE

POSSIBLE MODIFICATION OF UNITED STATES-CANADA
AUTO PACT AND CONDITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF
UNITED STATES IMPORT SURTAX

Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition): I have a question for the Prime Minister arising out of the reported remarks of the United States Secretary of the Treasury expressing his anticipation that some of the tariff restrictions and restraints built into the U.S.-Canada auto pact agreement will be modified. Has the government of Canada received any indication from the U.S. administration that modification of some of these restrictions and restraints is part of the goal of the U.S. administration before withdrawal of the U.S. import surcharge of 10 per cent?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I do not believe that a condition was attached to the representations, but it is my understanding that at some of the meetings which were held in Washington earlier with our ministers and officials the Americans did raise the question of the auto pact and claimed that it was working too favourably for the Canadian side.

Mr. Stanfield: At that time I think it is correct that our Minister of Finance indicated that this was not a condition and the U.S. authorities were not at that time attaching much importance to this. In view of this most recent statement to the press by the Secretary of the Treasury Connally, is the Prime Minister prepared to say that this is no longer a precondition which the Americans attach to the removal of the 10 per cent surtax?

Mr. Trudeau: Mr. Speaker, I do not understand why the Leader of the Opposition says it is no longer a precondition.

Mr. Stanfield: No, I did not say that.

Mr. Trudeau: The Leader of the Opposition did say that, with respect, Mr. Speaker. My understanding is that it was never a precondition and that the Americans never indicated that if we modified the auto pact in some way they would take off the surcharge.

Mr. Stanfield: Mr. Speaker, can the Prime Minister tell the House whether his government is suggesting any modification of the restraints now contained in the Canada-U.S. auto trade pact or whether, on the other hand, it is the policy of the government to insist on the retention of such restraints and safeguards?

Mr. Trudeau: Mr. Speaker, I believe it has been said repeatedly in the House by the Minister of Finance and by the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce that the matter was under negotiation, that the auto pact itself was being brought up by the Americans as a subject for discussion, and that we indicated we would gladly sit down and discuss the subject with them.

Mr. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa-Whitby): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a supplementary question to the Prime Minister. In view of reports that it was the Canadian