

tampons and pads and whereas these products are necessities for women between puberty and menopause and whereas the government has decided that the goods and service tax should not apply to certain foods because they are necessities, wherefore the undersigned petitioners humbly pray and call upon Parliament to consider removing the goods and service tax from women's sanitary products.

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STARRED QUESTIONS

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State and Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Mr. Speaker, would you be so kind as to call Starred Question No. 100.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Starred Question No. 100.

Mr. Cooper: Due to the length of this response, I ask that it be printed in Hansard as if read.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Is that agreed?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

[Text]

*Question No. 100—Ms. Langan

Since January 1, 1985, has the Prime Minister of Canada reimbursed the Government of Canada for the purchase of food consumed by himself, his family or guests and, if so, (a) on what dates did he remit the cheques (b) in what amount?

Mr. Leonard Gustafson (Parliamentary Secretary to Prime Minister): During the period from September 1, 1984 to April 30, 1991, the Prime Minister reimbursed a total amount of \$55,115.00 for the purchase of food consumed by himself, his family or non-official guests at 24 Sussex.

Cheques covering this expense were remitted as follows:

Cheque Date	Amount	Period Covered
April 15, 1985	4,000.00	Sep / 84 - Mar / 85
September 16, 1985	4,000.00	Apr / 85 - Sep / 85
May 23, 1986	3,773.50	Oct / 85 - Mar / 86
November 27, 1986	3,204.00	Apr / 86 - Aug / 86
December 15, 1986	699.00	Apr / 86 - Aug / 86
October 7, 1987	3,960.00	Sep / 86 - Aug / 86
November 13, 1987	4,182.00	Apr / 87 - Aug / 87
June 17, 1988	4,138.00	Sep / 87 - Mar / 85

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Cheque Date	Amount	Period Covered
October 20, 1988	4,287.50	Apr / 88 - Sep / 85
August 2, 1989	4,949.00	Oct / 88 - Apr / 85
May 31, 1990	4,398.00	May / 89 - Oct / 86
May 31, 1990	4,392.00	Nov / 89 - Apr / 86
November 1 st , 1990	4,566.00	May / 90 - Oct / 86
June 19, 1991	4,566.00	Nov / 90 - Apr / 86

Based on Statistics Canada data for average family expenditures on food for families with five or more members. 1984 data used as baseline. Subsequent years reflect increases in the food components of the CPI.

[English]

Mr. Cooper: I ask that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Shall the remaining questions stand?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

SUPPLY

ALLOTTED DAY, S. O. 81—FISHERIES

Hon. Roger C. Simmons (Burin—St. George's) moved:

That, in the opinion of this House, in order to prevent further ecological disaster through the pillaging of transboundary fish stocks off Canada's east coast, and in order to save an essential national industry and valued way of life for many rural citizens, Canada should take immediate steps to extend its functional jurisdiction to the nose and tail of the Grand Banks.

He said: Mr. Speaker, good morning, good morning to my friends from the west. They seem to be up for this important debate. I am not surprised because the motion is crystal clear. It is very simple.

First of all, it states what the problem is, as you, Mr. Speaker, so well read it a moment ago, and then it gets directly to the solution.

I want to draw the attention of my friends on the government side in particular, and the New Democratic Party, to the wording of the motion because it is not