Secretary of State-National Museums of Canada

Vote 90a—(also listed in Section A)—To authorize an increase of \$1,000,000 in the statutory limit of the purchase account of the National Museums.

Explanation—The increase to \$3,100,000 in the amount of the purchase account is required for the establishment of the Emergency Purchase Fund which was approved as part of the new ministerial policy on Museums.

Urban Affairs—Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation

Vote 10a—To authorize an extension in the vote wording so as to permit the Corporation to be reimbursed for expenditures incurred during the period January 1, 1973

to March 31, 1973 on housing research and community planning.

Explanation—The present vote wording restricts reimbursements to the calendar year 1972, a change is therefore required in the vote wording to permit reimbursements to March 31, 1973. The amount of reimbursements to be claimed would remain within the funds already voted.

The Housing Research and Community Planning Activity includes the Winter Warmth Program which provides assistance to Metis and non-status Indians. This Program, which peaks during the winter months, provides financial assistance whereby improvements can be made to their housing conditions. This extension is required to enable the Corporation to disburse funds already committed.