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2. Metric has been a legal system of measurement in Canada for many years.

3. Yes. Canada supports the objectives of the international standards organization, and is represented on many of the technical committees.

*EXPENDITURE ON VISIT OF PRESIDENT DE GAULLE

Question No. 669-Mr. Smallwood:

1. What was the total federal government expenditure on President de Gaulle's visit to the province of Quebec?

2. How many persons were included in the president's entourage?

3. Were these persons quartered in the Queen Elizabeth hotel, Montreal, at Canadian taxpayers expense?

Mr. John R. Matheson (Parliamentary Secretary to Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, the answer to the first part of starred question No. 669 is as follows: To November 15, 1967, expenditures have totalled \$7,369.80. This covers the official party only and a few small bills are yet to be paid. The answer to the second part of the question is that the official party numbered 19, plus the Canadian ambassador and his wife, the states visits escort officer and three R.C.M.P. officers.

The answer to the third part of the question is as follows: President de Gaulle, his wife, and five members of the party were quartered in a private residence in Montreal. The remainder of the official party and the Canadian officials were quartered in the Queen Elizabeth hotel at government expense.

REFERENCES FOR NURSERY AIDE TRAINING

Question No. 670—Mrs. MacInnis (Vancouver-Kingsway):

1. Does the Canada manpower centre in Toronto select students to enrol for nursery aide training at the College street adult education centre?

2. If so, how many students has it referred to that centre to date?

3. How many of these are recent immigrants to Canada?

4. What are the qualifications necessary for being selected, as to (a) age (b) academic standing (c) marital status?

5. In what other Canadian cities does Canada manpower refer students to nursery aide training programs?

Mr. J. C. Munro (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Manpower and Immigration): 1. Yes.

2. Fifty-eight since April 1, 1967. [Mr. Cantin.] 3. Eighteen (defining "recent" as an immigrant within the past four years).

4. (a) There is no age limit except that the trainee must be at least one year older than the regular school leaving age in the province. (b) The entry requirement determined by the province is grade 10 or equivalent and mature enough to be responsible for the care of children. (c) None.

5. Hamilton and Winnipeg.

GRANTS TO COLOMBO PLAN COUNTRIES AT EXPO

Question No. 680-Mr. Godin:

1. Was Canada called upon to provide special grants to certain countries which are members of the Colombo plan and which took part in Expo '67? 2. If so (a) what were the countries involved (b) what was the amount provided to each of these countries?

[Translation]

Hon. Paul Martin (Secretary of State for External Affairs): 1. No. Canada has been providing both grants and loans to members of the Colombo Plan and also to various other nations involved in Expo '67 under its regular External Aid Program. However, no special grants whatsoever have been made to Colombo Plan countries or any others in recent years.

[English]

CANADIAN FORCES SUPERANNUATION ACCOUNT

Question No. 690-Mr. Knowles:

1. What was the total amount of money in the Canadian forces superannuation account as at (a) March 31, 1964 (b) March 31, 1965 (c) March 31, 1966 (d) March 31, 1967?

2. What rate of interest does the government pay for the use of this money?

3. What amount of interest was credited to the Canadian forces superannuation account during the fiscal years ending (a) March 31, 1964 (b) March 31, 1965 (c) March 31, 1966 (d) March 31, 1967?

4. What was the total amount paid out of the Canadian forces superannuation account during the fiscal years ending (a) March 31, 1964 (b) March 31, 1965 (c) March 31, 1966 (d) March 31, 1967?

Hon. Léo Cadieux (Minister of National Defence): 1. (d) \$2,577,016,944.

3. (d) \$91,732,917.

4. (d) \$46,141,806.

See reply to question No. 2,233, page 10701 of *Hansard*, dated December 5, 1966, for the remainder of the reply.