

munications equipment referred to in this loan is microwave multiplex and ancillary equipment with adequate provision for voice channel expansion in television transmission.

4. EDC approval of the loan referred to by the Secretary of State for External Affairs in his statement of October 26, 1973 means that in April 1973, EDC's board of directors gave approval to make a formal offer.

5. The financing is an EDC loan under section 29 of the Export Development Act, and is not a government loan; EDC intends to make it available to the Chilean Junta, and (a) The terms will be exactly the same as those offered to the Allende government; and (b) Not applicable.

EDC—REFUSAL OF REQUEST BY TIMBER JACK OF
WOODSTOCK, ONTARIO

Question No. 3,110—**Mr. Rodriguez:**

1. Did EDC turn down a request by Timber Jack of Woodstock, Ontario in 1972, to finance a \$4 million order by Chile and, if so, for what reason?

2. Did EDC officials indicate that the reason for such a decision was government policy not to extend loans to Chile at that time, as indicated at page 2220 of *Hansard*?

Mr. Herb Breau (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): EDC reports that: 1. EDC had a request in November 1972 from Eaton Yale Limited, Forestry Equipment Division, Woodstock, Ontario to provide insurance cover for a proposed sale to Chile valued at \$4 million. EDC as a responsible agency declined to insure on the ground that the proposed transaction would almost certainly result in a loss.

2. EDC officials indicated that the reason for the decision was their own assessment of the risk.

NATIONAL DEFENCE—STATEMENT BY MINISTER
PERTAINING TO DEFENCE SPENDING

Question No. 3,114—**Mr. Forrestall:**

Were any outside individuals or agencies involved in the writing of the recent statement given by the Minister of National Defence pertaining to defence spending and budgeting and, if so, who were they and at what price was their talent secured?

Hon. James Richardson (Minister of National Defence): No.

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS IN FIELD OF NON-OPERATING
RAILWAY EMPLOYEES

Question No. 3,164—**Mr. Orlikow:**

How many industrial accidents, including fatalities, occurred in the field of the non-operating railway employment for each of the past three years?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of Labour): During the year 1972 there were 25,378 industrial accidents resulting in injury to non-operating railway workers. Of these accidents, nine were fatal and 2,859 resulted in loss of time from work. Comparable figures for previous years are not available as reporting regulations under the Canada Labour Code Part IV (Safety of Employees) were not in effect prior to January 1, 1972.

Order Paper Questions

LE DAIN COMMISSION REPORT—ENGLISH

Question No. 3,175—**Mr. Lawrence:**

1. Has the English version of the Le Dain Commission Report been received by the government and, if so, on what date?

2. On what date was the English version of the Le Dain Commission Report sent to the translation bureau for translation into French?

3. To what translation bureau was the English version of the Le Dain Commission Report sent?

Hon. Marc Lalonde (Minister of National Health and Welfare): 1. No.

2. The compiling of the English drafts of the final report began in the summer of 1972 and portions of the report were submitted for translation on an ongoing basis.

3. Les Traductions 530, Inc., Montreal.

LIP—SALARIES PAID BY SPONSORS OF PROJECTS

Question No. 3,186—**Mr. Godin:**

Since persons hired under the Local Initiatives Program are supposed to receive \$100 a week, is the government considering dealing severely with sponsors of some projects subsidized by this program who paid weekly salaries of only \$50 and \$60 during the winters of 1971-72 and 1972-73?

Mr. Mark MacGuigan (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Manpower and Immigration): The criteria of the Local Initiatives Program provided that the salaries paid by project sponsors would not exceed the local prevailing rates for each occupation. This stipulation was subject to the proviso that the total salaries paid to all the employees employed on a project would not exceed an average of \$100.00 per man-week over the life of the project. It was envisaged that some employees such as unskilled labourers, might receive less than \$100.00 per week, whereas the salary paid to skilled employees might exceed that figure. All employees, however, had to receive the minimum rate for the province concerned.

PURPOSE OF TRIP MADE BY G. M. WATERHOUSE,
VICE-PRESIDENT OF CANADIAN OVERSEAS
TELECOMMUNICATION CORPORATION

Question No. 3,232—**Mr. Knight:**

1. In the fiscal year 1971-72, what was the purpose of the trip made by G. M. Waterhouse, Vice-President of Canadian Overseas Telecommunication Corporation (salary range: \$29,000-\$32,000), to Washington, Hawaii (\$1,992)?

2. In what month of the year was this trip made?

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Minister of Communications):

Purposes of trips:	2. Place	Month
(a) Intelsat Plenipotentiary Conference, Member of Canadian Delegation	Washington	April 1971 1 week
(b) Interim Communication Satellite Corporation Finance Committee, Canada's Representative	Washington	January 1972 2 weeks
(c) Meeting with COTC Hawaii Station, Labour Relations Group	Hawaii	March 1972 1 week