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extend his apologies to the House for the lateness of his report which has been caused by circumstances beyond his control.

In order to reduce the delay to a minimum, the report is being submitted in two volumes. Volume I contains the introduction followed by the usual summary of expenditure and revenue and comments on expenditure and revenue transactions. Volume II, which will be completed and tabled later, will contain the summary of assets and liabilities and the sections on Crown Corporations, departmental operating activities and special audits and examinations.

THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

TABLING OF INCOME AND CORPORATE PROFIT FIGURES

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, yesterday it was requested of me, and the House agreed, that I should table certain figures relating to wages, salaries and supplementary labour incomes and also figures relating to corporate profits before taxes for the last 20 years. I am prepared to do that now.

[Translation]

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

TABLING OF CANADA YEAR BOOK AND BROCHURE "CANADA"

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): Mr. Speaker, some time ago you kindly informed me that there was some delay in supplying hon. members with copies of the Canada Year Book and the handbook "Canada". You also suggested that I table those publications so that they could be distributed more quickly to hon. members. In accordance with your wish and with Standing Order 41(2) of the House, I am happy to table today copies of the Canada Yearbook and of the handbook "Canada" in the two official languages.

• (2:30 p.m.)

[English]

POWER

BAY OF FUNDY-TABLING OF FEASIBILITY STUDY OF TIDAL POWER DEVELOPMENT

Mr. R. J. Orange (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 41(2) I wish to table in the two official languages copies of a feasibility study of tidal power development in the Bay of Fundy.

Inquiries of the Ministry ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

HEALTH AND WELFARE

LIVING CONDITIONS IN CITY SLUMS

Hon. George Hees (Prince Edward-Hastings): I wish to direct a question to the Prime Minister. As the Prime Minister was obviously well satisfied with the results of the six days he spent recently in the Arctic examining first-hand the living conditions of our native peoples, is he planning to spend an equivalent period of time during the parliamentary recess visiting the slums of our major cities, examining first-hand the living conditions of those living below the poverty line?

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member for Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands.

Mr. Hees: A supplementary question.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I will return to the hon. member in due course.

NATIONAL DEFENCE

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE EXERCISE OVER SASKATCHEWAN

Mr. T. C. Douglas (Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of National Defence regarding the announcement that United States military aircraft will undertake an exercise over the province of Saskatchewan? In view of the concern which has been expressed by people in that province because of the lack of information, can the minister tell the House the purpose of the exercise? Can he also tell the House at what altitude these planes will be flying and whether any Canadian planes will be participating in this exercise?

Hon. Léo Cadieux (Minister of National Defence): Mr. Speaker, I have to contest the assertion by the hon. member that there was a lack of information. We did issue a very comprehensive press release in which the altitudes, routes and everything were spelled out. The purpose of the exercise is, within the arrangements we have with the government of the United States, to help SAC pilots practise on different routes than what they are accustomed to. With regard to the last part of the question, there are no Canadians participating except with reference to the ground arrangements so that we have control of the operation.

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