

Adjournment Motion

price index. In fact, increases will be payable next month at 6.7 per cent if the retirement year was 1973, 9.3 per cent if it was 1972, and 9.8 per cent if it was 1971, and 11.9 per cent if it was 1970 or earlier, such percentages, applied to the basic pension, plus any increases previously received.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Boulanger): Order, please. The motion to adjourn the House is now deemed to have been adopted. Accordingly, this House stands adjourned until tomorrow at two o'clock p.m.

Motion agreed to and the House adjourned at 10.30 p.m.

APPENDIX "A"

PRIVY COUNCIL

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HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL, on the recommendation of the Treasury Board, is pleased hereby to approve the issue of the annexed guidelines to be observed by public servants concerning conflict of interest situations.

Certified to be a true copy
R. G. Robertson
Clerk of the Privy Council

GUIDELINES TO BE OBSERVED BY PUBLIC
SERVANTS CONCERNING CONFLICT OF INTEREST
SITUATIONS
SHORT TITLE

1. These guidelines may be cited as the Public Servants Conflict of Interest Guidelines.

GUIDELINES

2. It is by no means sufficient for a person in a position of responsibility in the public service to act within the law. There is an obligation not simply to obey the law but to act in a manner so scrupulous that it will bear the closest public scrutiny. In order that honesty and impartiality may be beyond doubt, public servants should not place themselves in a position where they are under obligation to any person who might benefit from special consideration or favour on their part or seek in any way to gain special

treatment from them. Equally, a public servant should not have a pecuniary interest that could conflict in any manner with the discharge of his official duties.

3. No conflict should exist or appear to exist between the private interests of public servants and their official duties. Upon appointment to office, public servants are expected to arrange their private affairs in a manner that will prevent conflicts of interest from arising.

4. Public servants should exercise care in the management of their private affairs so as not to benefit, or appear to benefit, from the use of information acquired during the course of their official duties, which information is not generally available to the public.

5. Public servants should not place themselves in a position where they could derive any direct or indirect benefit or interest from any government contracts over which they can influence decisions.

6. All public servants are expected to disclose to their superiors, in a manner to be notified, all business, commercial or financial interests where such interests might conceivably be construed as being in actual or potential conflict with their official duties.

7. Public servants should hold no outside office or employment that could place on them demands inconsistent with their official duties or call into question their capacity to perform those duties in an objective manner.

8. Public servants should not accord, in the performance of their official duties, preferential treatment to relatives or friends or to organizations in which they or their relatives or friends have an interest, financial or otherwise.