

of 159 Department of Justice lawyers who are physically located with other government departments for the purpose of providing legal services.

A total breakdown of Department of Justice legal officers is as follows:

Department headquarters	138
Departmental legal services units	159
Regional offices	191
	488

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE—LAWYERS

Question No. 617—Mr. Howie:

How many lawyers are employed on staff in the Department of National Defence?

Mrs. Ursula Appolloni (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Defence): As of April 1, 1980, there are 49 legal officers (military) in the Department of National Defence.

CFB GAGETOWN

Question No. 645—Mr. Howie:

How many civilian personnel were employed on staff at CFB Gagetown on April 1 (a) 1980 (b) 1979 (c) 1978 (d) 1975?

Mrs. Ursula Appolloni (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Defence): As of April 1 in each year: (a) 825; (b) 962; (c) 1,241; (d) 781.

DSS—TENDERING PROCEDURES

Question No. 670—Mr. Cossitt:

1. Does the Department of Supply and Services call tenders by public advertisement and, if not, for what reason?

2. Does the Department call tenders on an invitation basis and, if so, is there a list compiled for each electoral district of those to whom invitations will be extended and, if so (a) how is it compiled (b) is it compiled with political considerations to guarantee that whoever is awarded a contract is certain to be a supporter of the party in power?

3. With reference to the invitation tender list for the constituency of Leeds-Grenville (a) how was it compiled (b) does the department realize that some of those contained on the list are individuals who are presently residing in cemeteries, firms that have surrendered their charter, etc. (c) is the list dated July 11, 1979 and, if so, on what date was it first compiled?

4. How often are lists of those who will be asked to tender on various requirements revised for various electoral districts by the department?

Hon. J.-J. Blais (Minister of Supply and Services):

1. Advertisement in the public press is appropriate when it is a general custom followed by the trade involved. The Department of Supply and Services solicits bids primarily from lists of competent suppliers. The advantages of selective tendering are that:

- a number of qualified sources are readily available to provide competition;
- it is considered by the supply administration to be the most cost-effective approach to maintaining

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adequate levels of competition and equity of opportunity;

(c) it serves to shorten the contracting process.

2. The department calls tenders on an invitation basis but does not compile lists by electoral districts.

(a) n.a.

(b) n.a.

3. n.a.

4. n.a.

CONTRACTS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Question No. 700—Mr. Clarke:

1. For the fiscal year 1978-79, how many contracts were let by the Department of Communications for professional services, to persons who at any time within the past five years, had been employed in indeterminate positions under the Public Service Commission?

2. How many contracts were (a) for less than one year (b) for one to two years (c) over two years?

3. How many contracts were let outside the national capital region?

4. What was the total cost of all such contracts?

Mr. Peter Stollery (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State and Minister of Communications): In so far as the Department of Communications is concerned, the answers to the above questions are as follows:

1. Four contracts were let during the fiscal year 1978-79 for professional services to persons who had been employed in indeterminate positions under the Public Service Commission within the past five years.

2. (a) Four contracts were for less than one year;

(b) None.

(c) None.

3. None.

4. Total cost—\$38,710.00.

CONSULTANTS ON CONTRACT

Question No. 768—Mr. Shields:

Since August 1, 1978, how many (a) administrative (b) policy consultants were under contract to the Federal-Provincial Relations office and/or any boards, commissions or corporations reporting to the minister and, in each case, what amount was paid to them?

Mr. D. M. Collenette (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): (a) and (b) None.

[English]

Madam Speaker: The questions enumerated by the Parliamentary Secretary have been answered. Shall the remaining questions stand?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.