

Order Paper Questions

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. John M. Reid (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 22, 96, 116, 236, 255, 327, 376, 377, 445, 446, 511, 574, 671, 690, 695, 701, 723, 729, 762, 773, 863, 895, 916, 981 and 982.

Mr. Speaker, if questions Nos. 17, 23, 34, 43, 50, 242, 394 and 959 could be made orders for return, these returns would be tabled immediately.

I ask, Mr. Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

[Text]

CANADA CUSTOMS OFFICERS, BROCKVILLE, ONTARIO

Question No. 22—**Mr. Cossitt:**

1. (a) How many Canada Customs Officers are there at the Port of Brockville, Ontario (b) what specific positions in this regard have been designated or declared as bilingual and, in each case, for what reason?

2. (a) How many Canada Customs Officers are there at the Port of Lansdowne, Ontario (b) what specific positions in this regard have been designated or declared as bilingual and, in each case, for what reason?

Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of National Revenue): In so far as the Department of National Revenue is concerned: 1. (a) There are 9 positions of various classifications at this Port. (b) 2 PM-1A (seasonal positions) were identified as bilingual in order to provide service in the two official languages to the travelling public and were designated over a period ending in 1976.

2. (a) There are 53 positions of various classifications at this Port. (b) To provide service in the two official languages at all times to the travelling public, the following positions were identified as bilingual and were designated over a period ending in 1978: 1 PM-4, 1 PM-2, 5 PM-1, 12 PM-1A, 6 PM-1A (seasonal).

CANADIAN JUDICIAL COUNCIL

Question No. 96—**Mr. Allard:**

Does the government subsidize the Canadian Judicial Council and, if so (a) for how many years (b) through what department (c) what amounts were granted in 1971, 1972 and 1973 (d) did the government make a grant as capital.

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Justice): The Canadian Judicial Council was established in December, 1971 pursuant to section 30(1) of the Judges Act, as amended by R.S., (2nd Supp.) c. 16, and funds have been appropriated by parliament in each fiscal year for the use of the council to provide for a small permanent staff, operating expenditures and the acquisition of necessary capital assets. (a) Since its creation in December 1971; (b) through the Department of Justice and; (c) the funds expended by or on behalf of the council to the end of the fiscal year 1973-74 are as follows: 1971-72: Operating expenditures, \$9,377.53; Capital, \$500.00; Services provided by other departments, including accommodation, \$1,375.00; Total \$11,252.53; 1972-73: Operating expenditures, \$179,000.00;

[Mr. Gillespie.]

Capital, \$12,000.00; Services provided by other departments, including accommodation, \$10,053.00; Total \$201,053.00; 1973-74: Operating expenditures, \$166,000.00; Capital, \$2,000.00; Services provided by other departments, including accommodation, \$18,793.00; Total \$186,793.00; (d) See under (c) above.

STATEMENT MADE BY MR. IVAN HEAD

Question No. 116—**Mr. Cossitt:**

1. Did the Prime Minister personally authorize the statement made to members of the Press on Wednesday, September 25, 1974 by Mr. Ivan Head to the effect that Canada will pursue an activist left wing role in foreign affairs and does the statement now represent foreign policy of the government?

2. What are all the details of the Prime Minister's new activist left wing foreign policy, specifically, what countries with left wing governments will it be associated with?

3. Will Canada's foreign policy now be directed from the Prime Minister's Office and has the Prime Minister instructed Mr. Ivan Head to perform the duties of the Secretary of State for External Affairs?

4. Will the Prime Minister in due course appoint Mr. Ivan Head Secretary of State for External Affairs and, at the same time, will the Prime Minister appoint the present Secretary of State for External Affairs to the Senate?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): 1. No.

2. Not applicable.

3. No.

4. No answer required.

PAPER PRESENTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA ON OIL AND GAS

Question No. 236—**Mr. Reynolds:**

Did the Government of British Columbia present a paper to the Prime Minister and the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources on a train route to bring oil and gas from the north to the south which would replace tankers from coming down our coast line and, if so, would the government advise for what reason they have not answered, or even acknowledged, receipt of this paper from the Premier of British Columbia?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): In March, 1973 the government of British Columbia sent a paper to the Prime Minister and the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources proposing a train route to bring oil and gas from the north to the south which would replace tankers from coming down the British Columbia coastline. This paper was acknowledged by the Prime Minister and referred to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources for action. The minister met with Premier Barrett on April 17 to discuss the proposal in detail. The British Columbia proposal was also presented publicly to the Prime Minister at the Western Economic Opportunities Conference on July 26, 1973. The British Columbia proposal was subsequently considered as part of a 1.5 million dollar Arctic railway study carried out by the CNR and CPR for the Ministry of Transport. In this context the Minister of Transport has had several direct communications with Premier Barrett on the status of this study.