

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
BANK LOANSQuestion No. 1,169—**Mr. Saltsman:**

What are the annual expenditures of the Industrial Development Bank in providing loans to Canadian business for the years 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967 and 1968?

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance): The annual operating expenses and debenture costs of the Industrial Development Bank in providing loans to Canadian business for the years 1963 to 1968 are shown on Pages 28 and 29 of the Annual Report of the President for 1968.

FAMILY ALLOWANCE AND OLD AGE
SECURITY PAYMENTSQuestion No. 1,173—**Mr. Matte:**

1. What is the total amount of Family Allowances paid in each of the provinces of Canada?

2. What is the total amount of Old Age Security pensions paid in each of the provinces of Canada?

[Translation]

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): 1. For November, 1968:

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Newfoundland	1,423,269
Prince Edward Island	263,276
Nova Scotia	1,774,243
New Brunswick	1,528,242
Quebec	13,608,792
Ontario	15,783,205
Manitoba	2,106,406
Saskatchewan	2,201,125
Alberta	3,637,256
British Columbia	4,236,107
Northwest Territories and Yukon	123,564

2. For November, 1968:

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Newfoundland	2,634,159
Prince Edward Island	1,029,203
Nova Scotia	5,653,300
New Brunswick	4,235,034
Quebec	29,631,102
Ontario	45,180,463
Manitoba	7,200,096
Saskatchewan	7,083,044
Alberta	8,470,984
British Columbia	14,751,901
Northwest Territories and Yukon	101,389

Questions

[English]

ACQUISITION OF ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON

Question No. 1,180—**Mr. Robinson:**

Has the federal government considered the advisability of acquiring the island group of St. Pierre and Miquelon which are located within the territorial waters of Canada?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): 1. The answer to the question is in the negative. I might point out that the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon are not located within the territorial waters of Canada. They were ceded to France by Great Britain under the Treaty of Versailles of September 3, 1783, and comprise part of the Overseas Territories of France.

CANADIAN UNITS IN NATO AND NORAD

Question No. 1,186—**Mr. Robinson:**

1. Are the units forming Canada's commitment to (a) Norad (b) Nato, up to establishment strength and, if not, to what extent?

2. Are the Canadian Forces up to establishment strength at the present time, and, if not, what is the present requirement to bring establishment up to strength and when is it anticipated this will be brought about?

3. Does the government propose any incentives (a) to encourage enlistment in the Canadian forces (b) to retain present members of the Canadian Forces?

Mr. D. W. Groos (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of National Defence): Attention is directed to Minutes No. 14 of the Standing Committee on External Affairs and National Defence, dated November 21, 1968.

1. The units forming Canada's commitment to (a) NORAD and (b) NATO, with the exception of one destroyer escort, which is due to go into refit shortly, are manned to meet present commitments.

2. No, the present total establishment figure is a little over 103,000 and actual strength at the end of November was 99,064, so that there is a shortage of approximately 4,000 overall in relation to the establishment. The manning ceiling, however, has been set at 98,000 for the current year.

3. (a) and (b) Every effort is made to ensure that wages are comparable to those paid in industry for similar employment, that there is the real prospect of an acceptable career, and a fringe benefits package sufficient to offset the many disadvantages of service life.