the total amount of extramural research funds available to investigators in the individual departments.

6. Applications for Associateships, like all others, are scrutinized by expert scientists who are not members of Council or its Committees, as well as by the appropriate scientific committee of Council and by Council itself. The review procedure includes an evaluation of the scientific qualifications and research experience of each candidate, a review of his published work and his proposed research program, and also an assessment of the contribution which the candidate can be expected to make to the development of the over-all research effort in his new environment. The keenness of the competition for funds ensures that the highest standards of scientific excellence are maintained.

7. Yes.

APPOINTMENT OF JACK AUSTIN AS DEPUTY MINISTER

Question No. 1,842-Mr. Coates:

- 1. Was Jack Austin appointed Deputy Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources and, if so, on what date and at what salary?
- 2. What are the qualifications which Mr. Austin possesses that resulted in his appointment to this position?
- 3. Was Mr. Austin ever engaged in a federal election campaign and, if so, in what capacities?
- Mr. J. E. Walker (Parliamentary Secretary to Prime Minister): 1. Mr. Jack Austin was appointed Deputy Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources effective May 18, 1970 at an annual salary within the range of \$33,000-\$37,000.
- 2. Mr. Austin was selected because of his wide experience in law and resource enterprises.
- 3. Yes. 1962, Official agent for Arthur Laing, a candidate for Vancouver South; 1963, Campaign Manager for Arthur Laing, a candidate for Vancouver South; 1965, Candidate in Vancouver Kingsway.

TAXATION-T4 SLIPS

Question No. 1,868-Mr. Barnett:

- 1. Prior to what date, were employers required to provide employees with a Statement of Remuneration Paid (T4 slips) for taxation year 1969?
- 2. On what date or dates were employees of the Department of National Defence in the Reserve Forces provided with such statements?
- 3. Were all such employees provided with such T4 slips within the period required?

Questions

Mr. Yves Forset (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Department of National Revenue, Taxation and the Department of National Defence as follows: 1. Prior to March 1, 1970.

2 and 3. There are three types of reserve training, Class "A" normal local unit training, one or two nights per week, Class "B", service in a temporary instructional or administrative capacity or undertaking specialist training such as photo interpreter, et cetera, Class "C" continuous employment for a fixed period with the regular force. Members of the Reserves performing Class "C" service have income tax deducted 100 per cent at source. For those performing Class "A" and Land Reserve on Class "B" Service, T-4 slips are issued by the base providing administrative support to the reserve unit. No reports of late issue of T-4 slips were received in Canadian Forces Headquarters. The Director of Pay Services at CFHQ is responsible for issuing T-4 slips to those members of the Sea and Air Reserve who have performed Class "B" Reserve Service and are subject to tax deductions during a taxation year. All Accounting Officers who maintained pay accounts for members of the Reserve performing Class "B" Reserve Service except Land Reserve were required to submit the pay accounts for these members to the Director of Pay Services in accordance with established procedures so that T-4 slips could be issued. However, due to the introduction of a new pay account and difficulties associated with this change, submission of closed pay accounts for the year ending 31 December, 1969, was unavoidably delayed resulting in T-4 slips Class "B" Sea Reserve being issued 23 March, 1970, and Air Reserve 13-18 March, 1970.

RESERVES—NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS OFFICERS

Question No. 1,874—Mr. Moores:

Is it the intention of the Department of National Defence to consider officers of the Naval Reserves who have taken the RCNR Reserve Officers Communications Course "A" as qualified reserve NCS officers and, if not, for what reason?

Mr. D. W. Groos (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Defence): Naval Reserve officers who have taken the Communications Specialist Course "A" are not considered qualified in Naval Control of Shipping. The NCS qualifying course and the NCS content of the Communications Specialist course include many of the same subjects but the