

Questions

C.B.C. FEE TO GERDA MUNSINGER

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State): I am informed by the Departments of Citizenship and Immigration and Northern Affairs and National Resources as follows:

The Department of Citizenship and Immigration's total cost to date is \$45,667.86.

Subject to final audit in the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources expenditures totalling \$85,077.25 have been made on the project to March 31, 1966. This includes expenditures from a revolving fund loan, Indian affairs branch appropriations, and shared cost expenditures under the Canadian Vocational Training Act.

*C.B.C. RECORD MAKING FACILITIES

Question No. 1,118—**Mr. Macaluso:**

1. Has the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation record-making facilities available?

2. If so, could they be made available to the R.C.M.P. band in order to produce records of its performance at Expo '67 as a cultural project?

3. If not, why can such facilities not be made available for such a project?

Mr. Albert Bécharde (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State): The answer is as follows:

1. The C.B.C. has recording facilities, but not record making facilities in the commercial sense.

2. The corporation's facilities in Montreal could be made available for purposes of recording a broadcast performance by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police band with co-operation of the musicians' union. Reproduction of a broadcast recording for commercial distribution would require co-operation between the musicians' union and a recording company. An agreement between the union and an interested recording company would also be required in the case of a performance not primarily intended for broadcast, in which case C.B.C. participation would not be necessary.

*RECORDING OF R.C.M.P. BAND AT EXPO '67

Question No. 1,139—**Mr. Macaluso:**

Will the Secretary of State approach the C.B.C. and the centennial commission to make recording facilities available to record the R.C.M.P. band at Expo '67 as a cultural contribution to Canada's centennial year?

Mr. Albert Bécharde (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State): The answer to this question is yes.

Question No. 1,158—**Mr. Grégoire:**

1. What fee did Gerda Munsinger receive from the C.B.C. when she appeared on television recently?

2. How many people—artists, comedians, commentators, authors, professors, politicians, visitors, specialists, scholars, or other persons—have received more than \$5,000 for a half-hour program on the networks of the C.B.C. during the last five years?

3. Who were these people and for what programs did they receive this amount?

[Translation]

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):

1. \$5,000 was paid to Mrs. Munsinger's agent.

2. None.

3. N/A.

[English]

COST OF ANSWERING QUESTIONS
ON ORDER PAPER

Question No. 1,167—**Mr. Reid:**

1. What is the average estimated cost of answering a question on the Order Paper?

2. How many people, on the average, are employed in research involved in answering these questions?

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):

1. and 2. Questions on the order paper may generally be placed in various categories depending on whether: (a) information is required from one government department or agency, or (b) information is required from more than one government department or agency, or (c) information is required from all government departments and agencies, or (d) information is required from a crown corporation, or (e) information is required from more than one government department or agency and a crown corporation, or (f) information is required from all government departments, agencies and crown corporations.

In the circumstances, it is not possible to estimate the average cost of answering a question on the order paper or to determine on the average, how many people are employed in research involved in answering these questions. This varies considerably with each question. All departments have an official assigned to deal with parliamentary inquiries and to direct the subject matter of the question to the appropriate division or divisions of the department and/or the crown corporation. In most cases, this is not their only function. On the other hand, answering some questions