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if so (a) on what date was it let (b) to whom was it awarded (c) what was the amount of money that the tenderer received?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Minister of Supply and Services): (a) The contract is dated June 20, 1974; (b) Dominion-Pegasus Helicopters Ltd., P.O. Box 340, King City, Ontario L0G 1K0; (c) Invoices to February 19, 1975, \$64,211.99.

MR. PITFIELD'S TRIPS

Question No. 1,793-Mr. Cossitt:

1. With reference to Attachment "B" of the answer to Question No. 447 that Mr. Michael Pitfield made certain trips at public expense "to recruit senior staff and meet with local officials", in each such case (a) what are the names and addresses of senior staff recruited or interviewed for recruitment (b) what are the names, positions and addresses of all local officials met (c) what are all the full property addresses where any recruiting interviews for recruitment or meetings with local officials took place?

2. What was the purpose and subject discussed at each such meeting?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): 1. (a) It is not government policy to disclose names of people interviewed for recruitment in the Public Service of Canada, nor would it be desirable to do so since such information might jeopardize the current employment status of an individual, reflect on his competence or otherwise encroach upon his rights. (b) Local officials visited were met for the purpose of exchanging views for use in advice to be given the Government. Under long established Parliamentary practice, advice from officials to Ministers of the Crown, or the source thereof, is privileged information. (c) See (a) and (b) above.

2. See 1(b) above.

MR. PITFIELD'S TRIPS

Question No. 1,794—Mr. Cossitt:

1. With reference to Attachment "A" of the answer to Question No. 447 to the effect that Mr. Michael Pitfield made certain trips at public expense "to meet with consultants", "to meet with officials" and "to meet with provincial officials" (a) what are the names, positions and addresses of all such persons met (b) the full property addresses where all such meetings took place?

2. What was the purpose and subject discussed at each such meeting?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): See answers to question No. 1,793.

MR. PITFIELD'S TRIPS

Question No. 1,796-Mr. Cossitt:

[Mr. Whittaker.]

With reference to the answer to Question No. 447 that Mr. Michael Pitfield was in London, Paris, and Brussels for a period of thirty-six days from November 1 to December 6, 1968, on Privy Council office business (a) what is a full description of all such business (b) where did he spend each day and night (c) what are the names and addresses of all persons dealt with and in what locations?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): (a) The purpose of the official trip was to exchange views for use in advice to be tendered to a Minister or Ministers of the Crown. (b) Time spent on official business was spent at places mutually convenient to the respective parties. Disclosure of information of a private nature should not be

requested under the rules of Parliament. (c) See reply to question No. 1,794.

*CREATION OF NEW PRISONS

Question No. 1.834-Mr. Beatty:

1. Is the government giving consideration to the creation of new prisons in or near any municipality in Wellington, Grey or Dufferin Counties or the Regional Municipality of Waterloo and, if so, what are the localities being considered and for each location is the institution being considered a minimum, medium or maximum security institution?

2. For each institution (a) approximatively how many inmates would be expected to be housed in it (b) on what date does the government plan to begin construction (c) on what date is construction expected to be completed?

Hon. Warren Allmand (Solicitor General): The answer is as follows: 1. The Canadian Penitentiary Service has a need for inmate accommodation and has activated investigations in a number of locations including the stated municipalities to determine whether there are suitable sites. The site required will be for a medium security institution.

2. (a) The institution will have a capacity for 180 inmates. (b) The construction start date cannot be established until a site has been found. (c) Normally, the design of facilities and their construction would take about two years. Completion depends upon the date started.

SNOWSHOE CONTRACT

Question No. 1,943-Mr. Reynolds:

Was a contract awarded November 1, 1974, for 12,697 pairs of snowshoes to Magline of Canada Limited, Renfrew, Ontario and, if so, were tenders called for on the contract?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Minister of Supply and Services): In so far as DSS is concerned: A contract was awarded October 16, 1974 to Magline of Canada for 12,697 pairs of snowshoes at a cost of \$711,655. The news release on this contract award was dated November 14, 1975. Tenders were called and Magline of Canada was the lowest tender received.

CONTRACT FOR BRIEFCASES

Question No. 1,961-Mr. Reynolds:

- 1. Was a contract awarded September 27, 1973 to Queen Leather Products Inc. for briefcases costing \$27,401?
 - 2. For what purpose were they purchased?
 - 3. For what department were they to be allocated?
 - 4. How many briefcases were purchased?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Minister of Supply and Services): In so far as the Department of Supply and Services is concerned: 1. Yes. Contract was for briefcases and portfolios.

2. For stocking and subsequent sale and distribution by the Department of Supply and Services Regional Supply Centres located in Halifax (Dartmouth), Montreal and Ottawa.