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- 3. Is it the policy of the government to appoint individuals to commissions of inquiry and investigation who are known to have stated specific views on one side of the issue under inquiry?
- 4. Was there consultation or discussion with members of the (a) Doctors for the Repeal of the Abortion Laws (b) pro-abortion groups (c) pro-life groups before the appointment of Dr. Powell?
- 5. Has the government appointed anyone holding contrary views to Dr. Powell to the Committee and, if so (a) who is the person (b) what organizations does the person represent (c) what consultations took place and with whom, before the appointment was made?
- Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Justice): 1. The then Minister of Justice, the Hon. Otto Lang, announced the appointment of a Committee on the operation of the Abortion Law on September, 26, 1975. Those individuals appointed to the Committee were Dr. R. Badgley as Chairman, Dr. Marion G. Powell and Mme Denyse Fortin-Caron. Each appointment, including that of Dr. Powell, was made on the basis of the professional qualifications and expertise of each member in the areas to be studied by the Committee.
- 2. I am informed that Dr. Powell has never been a member of Doctors for the Repeal of the Abortion Laws.
 - 3. No.
 - 4. No.
 - 5. See reply to Part 1 above.

COMMUNICATION BETWEEN VESSELS AT SEA AND LIFEBOAT BASES—CANADIAN COAST GUARD FLEET

Question No. 3,947-Mr. Marshall:

- 1. What is the drill for communication between vessels at sea and Lifeboat Bases in the Canadian Coast Guard fleet?
- 2. What are the details of the logs of missions carried out by Lifeboat Bases and areas covered by CG 107-108-109 and CG 114?
- Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): 1. Canadian Coast Guard search and rescue lifeboats are equipped with radiotelephones covering very high, high and medium frequency bands assigned for marine communications. They are also equipped with radiotelephones enabling them to communicate with aircraft and small vessels. Lifeboats monitor all the radiotelephone distress frequencies 24 hours a day. The coxswains and assistant coxswains hold the required Radiotelephone Operator Certificate and conduct communications with ships in accordance with procedures laid down in the Radiotelephone Operator Handbook.
- 2. The log books of lifeboats 107, 108, 109 and 114 contain entries on the following: (1) Name or license number of vessel assisted, her position, number of people on board, her port of registry, her particulars, the name of her master and names of other persons in distress. (2) Names of coxswain and assistant coxswain of lifeboat. (3) Times of receiving distress calls, departures and returns, duration of mission. (4) Geographical area of search, state of sea, wind, visibility, etc. (5) Names of other vessels involved in mission. (6) Communications with Rescue Coordination Centres and Radio Stations. (7) Other entries necessary to prepare a full report on completion of each mission.

[Mr. Reid.]

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

Question No. 3.976-Mr. Masniuk:

- 1. What was the cost of (a) printing (b) issuing of the 1976 calendars by the Post Office Department?
- 2. How many were (a) printed (b) distributed?
- 3. Where were the calendars printed?
- 4. Who did the art work?
- 5. For what reason were the calendars produced in multi-colour, rather than in a one-colour or two-colour?
- 6. Was the printing done by (a) government printers (b) private printers and, if so (i) were tenders issued (ii) was the work given to the lowest hidder?
- Mr. Paul E. McRae (Parliamentary Secretary to Postmaster General): 1. (a) \$98,355. (b) They are distributed through major post offices across the country.
 - 2. (a) and (b) 750,000.
- 3. Ashton-Potter Ltd., Toronto, Ontario.
- 4. B. & B. Advertising Ltd., Montreal, P.Q.
- 5. To reflect established corporate identify and conveniently illustrate our postage products.
 - 6. (a) No. (b) Yes. (i) Yes. (ii) Yes.

NEWS RELEASE "STOL EXPERIMENT"

Question No. 4,020-Mr. McKenzie:

With reference to the January 30, 1976, News Release from the Department of Transport entitled: "Stol Experiment", how many of the 100,000 travellers were public servants travelling on official government business?

Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): While we are unable to answer the question exactly as posed, we do know that 13 per cent of Airtransit Canada passengers to date have used the Central Travel Service of the federal government, and are therefore civil servants deemed to be travelling on official government business.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

Question No. 4,041—Mr. Matte:

What is the (a) name (b) classification (c) level or group of post offices in each municipality in the Constituency of Champlain?

Mr. Paul E. McRae (Parliamentary Secretary to Postmaster General):

Name	Classification	Group or Grade
La Tuque	Staff	7
Batiscan	Semi-Staff	1
Auvergne	Revenue	4
Lac aux Sables	Semi-Staff	3
Parent	Semi-Staff	2
Grondines	Revenue	4
Deschambault	Semi-Staff	2
Montauban	Revenue	4
Montauban Les Mines	Revenue	2
Casey	Revenue	2
Lac Édouard	Revenue	5