2. The three mining companies who have been recruiting overseas are: Little Long Lac Gold Mines Ltd., 112 King Street W., Toronto, Ont.; International Nickel Co. of Canada Ltd., Sudbury, Ontario; Patrick Harrison and Company, Montreal, Quebec.

3. (a) Germany—(Little Long Lac Gold Mines Limited) (Patrick Harrison and Company) United Kingdom—(International Nickel Co. of Canada Ltd.) (b) Yes.

4. (a) The three companies have indicated that they hope to recruit: Little Long Lac, 100 miners; International Nickel, 275 miner trainees; Patrick Harrison and Company, 50 miners. (b) 250 were admitted to Canada up to September 30, 1967.

5. It is expected that the immigrant miners and mine labourers who will be recruited as a result of current activity will be employed at the following locations: Little Long Lac group of mines: Macassa Gold Mines Limited, Kirkland Lake, Ontario. Wilroy Mines Limited, Manitouwadge, Ontario. Willecho Mines Limited, Manitouwadge, Ontario. Renabie Mines Limited, Renabie, Ontario. MacLeod-Cockshut Gold Mines Limited, Geraldton, Ontario. Wasamac Mines Limited, Rouyn, Quebec. East Malartic Mines Limited, Norrie, Quebec. Malartic Gold Fields (Quebec) Limited, Fourniere and Dubuisson Townships, Quebec. Marband Gold Mines Limited, Fourniere and Dubuisson Townships, Quebec. Norbeau Mines Limited, Chibougamau, Quebec. International Nickel Co. of Canada Limited, Sudbury, Ontario. Patrick Harrison and Company, contract mining anywhere in Canada.

6. (a) Yes. (b) Canadian workers are continually being recruited for employment in the mines as miners and mine labourers. The supply has been insufficient to meet the need.

7. (a) Yes. (b) In 1966 and 1967 the federal government contributed 50 per cent to 75 per cent of the instructional costs for 22 training projects operated by mining companies. These projects involved the training or upgrading of about 5,300 mine workers. In addition there has recently been a sizable movement of mine workers from other parts of Canada under the department's manpower mobility program. (c) Yes.

8. The unions have not expressed views to the department. If they did so, they would receive full consideration.

9. The unions have not indicated any views. If they did so, they would be received with great interest.

10. (a) Yes. The Department of Manpower and Immigration has discussed with mining firms and the mining association the recruiting of miners and mine trainees in all surplus labour areas of Canada, and has actively promoted the recruiting of Canadian Indians and Eskimos. (b) The attitude of the companies has been to accept suitable candidates obtained through such programs.

CAPE BRETON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION—PURCHASE OF SHARES

Question No. 877—**Mr. Caouette:**

1. Will the Cape Breton Development Corporation purchase the shares or the assets of the nationalized companies?

2. Will the Corporation indemnify the former owners with money or with interest-bearing bonds?

3. Has the Corporation completed the inventory of the assets to be expropriated and will this inventory be submitted to the registry office?

4. What will be the method of assessment of the amounts of the assets in the balance sheet, the direct evaluation of the assets, the stock exchange capitalization, etc.?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): 1. The corporation has made no decision concerning the method of acquisition of lands and personal property of the companies.

2. No decision has been made.

3. The preparation of an inventory of assets is continuing actively, but is not completed. The provisions of sections 9 and 10 of the Cape Breton Development Corporation Act will govern future action in this regard.

4. No decision has been made.

EQUALIZATION PAYMENTS TO PROVINCES

Question No. 878—**Mr. Bell (Saint John-Albert):**

1. What is the estimate of the equalization payments to the provinces for the current year ending March, 1968?

2. Have any estimates been made for the year ending March 31, 1969 and, if so, what are the figures in each case by provinces?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Minister of Finance): 1. The equalization payments to the provinces under the Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements Act, 1967, for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1968, are estimated as follows: (in thousands of dollars) Newfoundland, $67,-781; Prince Edward Island, $14,071; Nova Scotia, $77,133; New Brunswick, $66,317; Que-