

Routine Proceedings

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: 247, 258 and 264.

[Text]

OPEN SKIES CONFERENCE

Question No. 247—**Mr. Boudria:**

1. Were there any costs to the government arising from the Open Skies conference held in Ottawa in February, 1990 and, if so, including preparatory costs, in total, what were they?

2. Were any vehicles bought by the government for the conference and, if so (a) what number (b) at what cost (c) from whom (d) what process was used to choose a supplier (e) are they being used now and, if so (i) for what purpose (ii) by whom?

3. Were parkas purchased for the conference and, if so (a) what number (b) from whom (c) at what cost (d) in what way was a supplier chosen (e) were any parkas purchased but not given to foreign dignitaries and, if so, were they given to anyone else and, if so, to whom?

Hon. Marcel Danis (Minister of State (Youth), Minister of State (Fitness and Amateur Sport), Deputy Leader of the Government in the House of Commons and Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Committees of the Whole House): I am informed by the Department of External Affairs and the Secretary of State as follows:

1. An amount of \$5,240,00 was allocated for the Open Skies conference. Invoice are still being received and the final total of expenditures will not be known until all financial transactions are processed.

2. No vehicles were bought by the Government for the conference. Please refer to reply to question No. 241 answered March 7, 1990.

3. Parkas were purchased for the conference (31 parkas @ \$397.00). They were purchased from Polar

Parkas (P.O. Box 1385, Yellowknife, N.W.T.) since they were the only supplier that could promise to meet our delivery deadline. Parkas were given only to foreign ministers (and their accompanying spouses). The SSEA bought and paid for a parka for his personal use.

ISLAND OF ST. VINCENT—PROJECTS

Question No. 258—**Mr. Laporte:**

Since 1975, has the government provided funding to any projects on the island of St. Vincent and, if so (a) which projects (b) in each case, at what expense to the government?

Hon. Marcel Danis (Minister of State (Youth), Minister of State (Fitness and Amateur Sport), Deputy Leader of the Government in the House of Commons and Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Committees of the Whole House): Yes. I am informed by the International Development Research Centre and the Canadian International Development Agency as follows:

Since 1975, the International Development Research Centre has financed two research projects on the island of St. Vincent.

a) The first project was funded in 1982 for a period of 9 months. Its objective was to analyze the determinants of migration from St. Vincent, and to assess its social and economic impact at the household level in St. Vincent. The second was funded in 1983 for a period of 24 months. Its objective was to strengthen the socioeconomic information system and documentation centre of the island's Ministry of Finance, Planning and Development, as a member of CARISPLAN. The project's grant was shared between St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

b) Each project amounted to \$39,000 and \$81,430 respectively.

Yes, the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) has provided funding to projects on the island of St-Vincent.

(A) PROJECT TITLE	DATE	(B) CIDA BUDGET (\$)
Kingstown Port Master Plan	1989	50,000
Diamond Industrial Estate	1988	3,636,400
Fisheries Development—Phase I	1987	4,975,000
Forestry Development	1986	4,520,000
St. Vincent Forestry—Special Administrative Expenses (SEA)	1985	10,633
St. Vincent Fisheries Feasibility—SEA	1985	106,281
St. Vincent Canada Fund 89 / 90	1989	125,000
St. Vincent Canada Fund 88 / 89	1988	275,558
St. Vincent—Mission Administrated Funds (MAF) 87 / 88	1987	299,999