

the Canada-Quebec Agreement of 1970-1972 for the restoration of Place Royale in Quebec City?

2. What was the amount paid as of December 31, 1972?
3. What is the estimated total cost of restoration?
4. What will be the total share of the federal government?
5. Was the federal government consulted on the awarding of contracts for Place Royale without public tenders, as stipulated in the Canada-Quebec Agreement of 1970?
6. Was the decision to award contracts without tenders made by Mr. Yves Malépart of DREE or by the Minister?
7. What were the main reasons for the decision?
8. Will the total cost of the restoration be less since contracts were awarded without tender?

[Translation]

Mr. Marcel Prud'homme (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): 1. Yes.

2. \$3,795,000 in grants \$586,000 in loans.
3. Approximately \$18 million to restore some 75 houses.
4. The actual commitments of the federal government to date amount to \$4,330,000 in grants and \$1,150,000 in loans under the Canada-Quebec Agreement on Special Areas.
5. Yes.
6. This decision was made jointly by the minister and the hon. Robert Bourassa, following the recommendation of the Quebec Department of Cultural Affairs.
7. The joint federal-provincial committee had granted the Quebec government a request that contracts for this project be given without tenders being called because the nature of the undertaking is such that firm prices could not be obtained for this kind of work. Officials of the department had investigated the matter and had sought the advice of federal experts before granting the request of the Quebec authorities.
8. It is impossible to answer this question because, as stated above, the nature of the undertaking is such that firm prices cannot be obtained for this kind of work.

[English]

Mr. Speaker: Starred Question No. 663.

Mr. Cafik: Mr. Speaker, as the reply to Starred Question No. 663 is somewhat lengthy, I would ask permission of the House to have the answer printed as if read.

Mr. Nielsen: Mr. Speaker, on a point of order relating to the documents just tabled by the Solicitor General on starred question No. 53, although he asked the permission of the House, perhaps they might also be printed as if read.

Mr. Allmand: Mr. Speaker, I would ask to table two annexes which were attached to the question and give further information.

Mr. Lambert (Edmonton West): Print them in *Hansard*.

Mr. Speaker: Is this agreed?

Mr. Lambert (Edmonton West): Mr. Speaker, on that point, may I suggest that what the Solicitor General ought to have said is that they should be printed as an appendix to *Hansard*. If they are tabled, the documents will remain downstairs in the parliamentary returns office and, unless someone knows about them and gets copies of the docu-

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ments and relates them to the question, the total answer will be incomplete.

Mr. Nesbitt: Mr. Speaker, with regard to the starred question I placed on the order paper, No. 663, I am quite agreeable to having any schedules or tables printed as an appendix to *Hansard* but I cannot see why the answers to such questions should be so lengthy that they cannot be read in the House. If the answer extends over several pages, I could agree; otherwise, I should like to have it read.

Mr. Speaker: Perhaps before the parliamentary secretary, who is apparently prepared to read the answer into the record, does so, I might say that it is my understanding that there is agreement that the annexes to which the Solicitor General referred be appended to *Hansard*. Is this agreed?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[Editor's note: For annexes to starred question No. 53 referred to above, see appendix.]

Mr. Lambert (Edmonton West): The answers to starred questions should always be read.

Mr. Cafik: Mr. Speaker, I apologize to the House for suggesting that the answer be taken as read. I was trying to conserve the precious time of the chamber.

*CANADA PENSION PLAN—DISABLED PERSON'S PENSIONS

Question No. 663—**Mr. Nesbitt:**

1. What is the total number of "medical advisers" who advise the Minister of National Health and Welfare with respect to decisions on applications for a Disabled Person's Pension under the Canada Pension Plan?
2. What are the required qualifications and experience of these advisers?
3. Do all of the present advisers meet the qualifications outlined in Part 2?
4. Are consultations required to be held with the "family doctor" when applications are made?
5. Are consultations ever held with the applicant's family doctor and, if so, under what circumstances?
6. Does the Minister personally review complaints concerning the decisions of his medical advisers?
7. Is it the policy of the Department to disregard recommendations of an applicant's family doctor when applications are made for a Disabled Pension?
8. How many applicants for the Disabled Pension have been personally examined by the Minister's medical advisers?

Mr. Norman A. Cafik (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, the answer to the first part of the question is: At present there are 13 full time medical advisers making recommendations with respect to Canada Pension Plan disability pensions. In addition, four medical advisers work on a part-time basis.

The answer to Part 2 is: The required qualifications for medical advisers are an M.D. degree from a recognized university together with some years of clinical experience and/or public health experience.

The answer to Part 3 is: Yes.