Order Paper Ouestions

Mr. Donald Wood (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): The reply for the Department of Regional Economic Expansion is as follows: (a) \$1,962,582.81 (b) \$4,497,489.54 (c) \$3,088,064.97 (d) \$1,581,792.59 (e) \$614,384.01 (f) \$3,583,314.99

GRAIN RESERVES

Ouestion No. 1,318—Mr. Hnatyshyn:

Does the government intend to take action in regard to assisting with the costs of storing and stock-piling grain and other food in regard to the establishment of an internationally coordinated system of nationally held cereal stocks adequate to provide food security and to make the grain market more stable in the future, as agreed on by the participants at the two-day meeting of agricultural ministers from the 24 member countries of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development in Paris last week and, if so, what is the action?

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): The Canadian government is prepared to play a positive role in the establishment of grain reserves. Grain reserves are an important element in ongoing discussions aimed at developing a new international wheat agreement. The Canadian government has supported the principle of a world grain reserve to help overcome the problem of world food security. Support for its establishment is contingent on development of suitable arrangements for implementation including the sharing of obligations in carrying any reserve and assurances that the reserve will not interfere with commercial markets. Action which could be taken by governments to assist with the costs of storing and stockpiling grain would depend on the final form of any new agreement. The government is prepared to examine ways in which assistance might be provided when negotiations are at a more advanced stage.

B.C. FISHING FLEET

Question No. 1,604—Mr. Clarke

- 1. Is the government at present involved in reissuing licences to those vessels in the British Columbia fishing fleet, which for economic reasons were previously taken out of fisheries by the government and, if so (a) what was the original intention of the government in participating in the buy-back scheme (b) on what grounds are the vessels now being reissued licences (c) how many of the vessels with reissued licences have been resold to date and what was the resale price in each case?
- 2. At the time of the buy-back scheme, how many vessels were purchased by the government and at what cost?
- 3. Did the government later sell the boats at a public auction and, if so, what was the amount received?
- 4. What was the number of registered fishermen in British Columbia at the time that the buy-back scheme was inaugurated?
- 5. What is the present number of registered fishermen in British Columbia?

Hon. Roméo LeBlanc (Minister of Fisheries and the Environment): 1. No the government is not so involved, however, a total of seven licences were inadvertently reissued; all were subsequently recovered, and five of which were reinstated by the minister's decision based on their appeals.

- 2. Three hundred fifty-four vessels. Cost, \$5,848,000.
- 3. Total revenue from sales, \$2,647,000.

[Mr. Marshall.]

- 4. Number of registered fishermen in 1969 (based on number personal licences issued) was 10,870.
- 5. In 1977 there were 10,668 personal licences issued in British Columbia

[Translation]

OUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

Mr. Yvon Pinard (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, if questions Nos. 426 and 479 could be made orders for returns, these returns would be tabled immediately.

Mr. Speaker: The questions enumerated by the parliamentary secretary have been answered. Shall questions Nos. 426 and 479 be deemed to have been made orders for returns?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[Text]

LAWYERS IN ALBERTA

Question No. 426—Mr. Elzinga:

What are the names of all lawyers in Alberta used by the government or any Crown corporation?

Return tabled.

CMHC-NEWFOUNDLAND

Question No. 479—Mr. Crosbie:

What law firms or individual lawyers (a) in St. John's (b) in Corner Brook (c) elsewhere in the province of Newfoundland drew up CMHC mortgages in (i) insured (ii) uninsured loans in 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977 to date and, in each case, what were the number of loans and what was the total amount of mortgage loans in each year?

Return tabled.

[Translation]

Mr. Speaker: Shall the remaining questions be allowed to stand?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

CRIMINAL CODE

MEASURE RESPECTING LANGUAGE USED IN COURT TRIALS

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (for the Minister of Justice) moved that Bill C-42, to amend the Criminal Code as reported