

### Order Paper Questions

Fiscal Year	No. of Discontinued Annuities
1971-72	331
1972-73	437
1973-74	549
1974-75	478
1975-76	566
1976-77	555
1977-78	592
1978-79	791
1979-80	740
1980-81	945

3. The Department of National Defence twice yearly issues a document file No. 4983-18 entitled "In-service Five Year Training Plan". The document identifies quantitative requirements for individual training over a five-year period.

4. Yes. Canadian Forces Administrative Order (CFAO) 11-6 is concerned with promotion policy of regular force officers. However, there is no relationship between CFAO 11-6 and document 4983-18. The CFAO deals with officers promotion policy whereas the document is concerned with other ranks initial trades training as well as with Anglophone/Francophone proportions in certain trades training plans.

5. For 1981 there were 14 officers in the protected category. For 1982 there are 15 officers in the protected category.

6. All 14 "protected" officers were promoted during 1981.

7. Thirteen of the 15 "protected" officers have had their promotions authorized although the effective date for some promotions has not yet arrived. The other two "protected" officers will be promoted in 1983.

8. All "protected" officers have been or will be promoted. There are two possible circumstances when a "protected" officer would not be promoted: (a) a deterioration of performance or conduct by the officer where his supervisor no longer recommends promotion. (b) a deterioration of health where the officer is no longer fit for promotion.

The career status of officers in these situations would be subject to review.

9. The main elements of the merit system used by the Canadian Forces in selecting members for promotion are performance and potential. Each member of a merit board scores candidates out of a total of ten points: eight for performance and two for potential. Performance is evaluated by examination of past performance as described in annual Personnel Evaluation Reports. Potential is evaluated from a consideration of the member's professional attributes, depth and breadth of experience, qualifications including education, bilingual ability, special courses, etc., and any other factor considered to be important by the merit board. The rating for potential is not structured; no one aspect of potential is assigned a particular portion of the score.

The merit system used in recruiting consists of five elements, the most important being military potential. This is a numerical rating assigned to the applicant as a result of an interview by an experienced military career counsellor. The rating is based upon what the candidate does, has experienced,

or has done, together with an estimate of both the candidate's ability to cope with military life in general and the likelihood of success in recruit training. The second element used is the candidate's score on the general entrance test. The third is the aptitude of the candidate, as determined by a series of tests, for the particular vacancy. The fourth element taken into consideration is the length of time the candidate has spent waiting for a vacancy. The final factor is the candidate's trade preference, i.e. whether the candidate indicated that the vacancy that exists was his or her first, second or third preference of trade.

### ELECTRIC VEHICLES

#### Question No. 4,326—Mr. Gurbin:

1. Did departments give financial support to the Electric Vehicle Association (EVA) of Canada and, if so, what amount?

2. Which departments have corporate memberships in the Association?

3. Is research and development funding being allotted for the electric vehicle industry for independent research into electric vehicles, batteries and their components and, if so, which departments are doing so and what were the exact amounts for the past fiscal year?

**Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** I am informed by the Department of National Health and Welfare, the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce, the Department of Transport and the National Research Council as follows:

1. No financial support was given to the Association. In the early days the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce supported the Association by preparing and distributing its newsletter until it could finalize its own arrangements.

2. Industry, Trade and Commerce; the Road Safety Branch of the Surface Administration of DOT; the Medical Services Branch of the Department of National Health and Welfare.

3. Yes. In so far as the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce is concerned, the Department has authorized through its Enterprise Development Programs a contribution of 190,000 to R and D projects.

In so far as the Department of Transport is concerned:

Sponsor	Contractor	EV Contracts including Batteries and other Components	
		Total Contract	1981/82 Payments
(a) Vehicles			
Transport Canada	DSMA-Atcon Toronto	E.V. Development & Evaluation	\$146,389
	DSMA-Atcon Toronto	Evaluation Hybrid Vehicle	\$1,400,000 \$129,578
	Marathon Electric Vehicles Inc. Montreal	Manufacture of Experimental Hybrid Vehicle	\$ 75,000 \$ 48,071
	Marathon Electric Vehicles Inc. Montreal	Series Hybrid Vehicle	\$ 34,000 \$ 10,658