

Questions

Nations, Geneva and to the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament.

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CBC—BROADCASTS TO MARITIME PROVINCES

Question No. 544—**Mr. Macquarrie:**

1. What areas of the Maritime Provinces are now able to receive CBC FM broadcast in English?
2. What is the location of English language FM transmitters in the Maritime area?
3. What is the estimated number of listeners in (a) Prince Edward Island (b) New Brunswick (c) Nova Scotia, who will be able to hear the CBC's projected Radio Two Programs?
4. Has any department any knowledge of plans, policies or efforts likely to provide alternate TV service to viewers in Charlottetown and other areas in Prince Edward Island and, if so (a) what are they (b) when is it estimated that alternative channels will be available to these viewers?

[Translation]

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State): I am informed by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation as follows: 1. None.

2. There are no FM transmitters carrying CBC FM programming in the Maritimes at present.

3. Estimated number of listeners to CBC-owned AM radio stations in the Maritimes: (a) 10,000; (b) 59,000; (c) 112,000. Until a full distribution system may be possible for both Radio One and Radio Two, communities served by only one AM transmitter will receive a mixture of the two CBC radio services. It may take over five years to complete the distribution system.

I am informed by the Canadian Radio-Television Commission as follows:

4. The Commission has had discussions with various parties with the objective of providing alternate TV service to viewers in Charlottetown and other areas in Prince Edward Island. Discussions are continuing and therefore there is no information which could be given at this time.

[English]

INTERNATIONAL PROTOCOL ON PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES—MEMBERS OF CANADIAN DELEGATION

Question No. 583—**Mr. Alexander:**

1. Who will represent Canada during the final negotiations on the international protocol on psychotropic substances?
2. What are their qualifications or experience in dealing with the question of drug abuse?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): 1. See answer to Part I of Question 538 today.

2. All members of the Canadian delegation have extensive experience and qualifications in dealing with questions related to the protocol on psychotropic substances. Their specific areas of expertise and experience are indicated in the answer to question 1.

[Mr. Munro.]

COMBINES—TAITE AND LYLE—INFLUENCE ON CANADIAN SUGAR POLICY

Question No. 649—**Mr. Watson:**

1. Does the government have any information which would indicate that the London based, Taitte and Lyle, multi-national group of companies is an international sugar cartel and, if so, does the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce allow that group to influence in any way Canadian trade policy in sugar?

2. Does the Minister contemplate the development of a national Canadian policy on sugar in the near future?

Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): 1. In response to question No. 2039 (*Hansard*, April 30, 1969, at pages 8161-8162) it was stated that since it was a matter of public knowledge, an application under section 7 of the Combines Act by Roberta Gray et al relating to the sugar industry in Eastern Canada had been received and that the Director under the Act was carrying out his statutory duty. It is not the policy under the Act to disclose whether or not particular information or evidence has been obtained in an inquiry unless and until it is disclosed in a published report or in proceedings before the courts.

2. No change in the Canadian policy on sugar is contemplated at the present time. The Tariff Board currently is reviewing the rates of duty and tariff nomenclature for sugar and related products.

USE OF FEDERAL AIRCRAFT WITHIN BOUNDARIES OF ABITIBI CONSTITUENCY

Question No. 659—**Mr. Laprise:**

How many trips were made by federal government aircraft within the boundaries of the constituency of Abitibi during the years 1968, 1969, 1970?

Mr. J. A. Jerome (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the government that statistics are not now maintained in a manner which would readily provide this information. To obtain the information requested in the question would necessitate the carrying out of a special survey, and the necessary expert staff is not available to undertake the large amount of work which would be required to provide an accurate answer. This special survey would also require an extremely large expenditure.

DELISLE, SASK.—ASSISTANCE FOR LOW RENTAL HOUSING

Question No. 676—**Mr. Gleave:**

1. How much money is being contributed by the following toward dwelling units for low-income families in Delisle, Saskatchewan (a) the federal government (b) the provincial government (c) the Town of Delisle?

2. What amount was paid for the land involved?

Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister without Portfolio): 1 and 2. The Federal government is not presently involved in the development of a housing project for low-income families in Delisle, Saskatchewan.