

*Inquiries of the Ministry***HIGHWAYS****FEDERAL ASSISTANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF
ROADS TO RESOURCES**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. S. J. Korchinski (Mackenzie): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. In view of the fact many of the provinces have built roads under the roads to resources program and have not completed all their planned work, and apparently are not willing to continue without further federal assistance, may I ask the minister is the government considering further financial assistance in this regard?

Mr. Speaker: This question should be placed on the order paper.

[Translation]

HOUSE OF COMMONS**INQUIRY AS TO APPLICATION OF BILINGUAL
PREMIUM POLICY**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Henri Latulippe (Compton-Frontenac): Mr. Speaker, I should like to put another question to the right hon. Prime Minister.

Since we are now celebrating the national secretaries' week, could the Prime Minister take this opportunity to grant the 7 per cent raise, retroactive to October 1, 1966, to the secretaries of members of parliament and others who are recognized as being bilingual?

Mr. Speaker: Order. This question has already been asked.

[English]

**REQUEST FOR ADJOURNMENT SO MEMBERS
MAY ATTEND EXPO OPENING**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Public Works in his capacity as government house leader. In view of the fact that all members of parliament have been invited to attend the opening of Expo on Thursday of this week would the minister say whether a decision has yet been reached as to whether or not the house will sit that day.

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works): Mr. Speaker, it is planned that the house will not sit that day.

Mr. Churchill: What about Friday?

Mr. McIlraith: We are prepared to not sit on Thursday.

[Mr. Knowles.]

NATIONAL DEFENCE**USE OF CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT TO TRANSPORT
RESERVE UNITS**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Harold E. Winch (Vancouver East): Mr. Speaker, I would like to address a question to the Minister of National Defence. Will the minister advise this house the reason for the leasing of Air Canada aircraft to move reserve units to training establishments? If our defence forces are fully equipped and competent to meet defence commitments, why is it necessary in Canada to move reserve forces by private fleets of aircraft?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I suggest to the hon. member that this question might be placed on the order paper.

Mr. Winch: The contract is being signed this week, Mr. Speaker.

WATER RESOURCES**FRASER RIVER—IMPLEMENTATION OF BOARD
RECOMMENDATIONS**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. A. B. Patterson (Fraser Valley): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. In view of the concern that is felt by many people in the lower mainland of British Columbia, could the minister indicate whether any conferences are going to be held with provincial authorities regarding the implementation of the recommendations in the Fraser river board report?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): Mr. Speaker, I am going to meet on this particular subject next month, I believe on May 3, with the British Columbia minister responsible for water. With respect to possible flooding, I might say that all possible measures are now being taken, and I might also say we are having an interdepartmental meeting this afternoon to try to co-ordinate these measures as well as possible at the federal level.

Mr. Grant Deachman (Vancouver Quadra): I have a supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Can the minister tell us if the emergency measures apply to emergencies in the current year, or are they merely for future undertakings?

Mr. Pepin: In the current year, Mr. Speaker.