

Questions

2. Audio-Visual Systems (Division of Anglo-photo) did not on balance meet the NFB criteria as well as Visual Education Centre did. The contract was awarded to Visual Education Centre because: the firm specialized in audio-visual software; its personnel had a broad understanding of the relation of audio-visual concepts to educational requirements, and promotion; its financial resources were adequate; its management had a known record of accomplishment; the key personnel had a very high reputation in the education milieu not only in Canada but abroad, and an intimate knowledge of the Film Board's product; it had a more comprehensive line of audio-visual software which did not compete with NFB's.

[English]

OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OF DISTRIBUTORS
OF NFB AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS

Question No. 1,693—Mr. Nowlan:

1. Are the distributors of audio-visual materials selected by the National Film Board Canadian owned and controlled and, if not, what is the degree of foreign ownership and control?

2. Has there ever been a fourth partner in Visual Education Centre and, if so (a) who was such partner (b) of what country was he (c) when did he terminate his connection with Visual Education Centre?

3. Does Visual Education Centre or any of its owners have any contract or agreement affecting or relating to ownership and financial control with one Charles Benton, President of Films Inc., of Willmette, Illinois, U.S.A., or with any company owned or controlled by Mr. Benton and, if so, what is the nature of such contract or agreement?

4. Have any distribution rights to any CBC production been acquired by Visual Education Centre and, if so (a) which ones (b) on what date (c) was there public tender?

[Translation]

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State):

I am informed by the National Film Board as follows: 1. All three distributors of audio-visual materials selected by the NFB for the sale of NFB products in Canada are Canadian controlled. NFB included in the contracts a clause to this effect, as follows: "The distributor warrants that at all times during this Agreement the outright ownership, or the absolute majority of the issued share-capital of the distributor will be held by Canadian citizens residing in Canada. In the event of the sale of the outright ownership or of the absolute majority of the issued share-capital of the distributor, the present Agreement will be subject to review by the Board and pos-

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sible termination. The foregoing subject to all other terms and conditions of this Agreement".

2. To the best of the NFB's knowledge, Films Inc., of Willmette, Illinois, U.S.A., had and still holds a non-controlling interest in Visual Education Centre.

3. As stated in Question 2 above, Films Inc., has a non-controlling interest in Visual Education Centre. Details as to the nature of such an agreement are not available to the National Film Board.

4. Not applicable.

[English]

GRAIN ELEVATOR DELIVERY POINTS

Question No. 1,695—Mr. Burton:

What are the names of the 22 elevator delivery points in Manitoba and the 31 elevator delivery points in Saskatchewan which were on the initial unit quota as at April 13, 1970?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister without Portfolio): The following are the 22 elevator points in Manitoba and the 31 points in Saskatchewan which were on the initial unit quota as at April 13, 1970: Manitoba: Barnsley, Birtle, Darlingford, Cypress River, Deloraine, Foxwarren, Goodlands, Gretna, Holland, Holmfild, Killarney, Landseer, McTavish, Medora, Melita, Morden, Nesbitt, Plum Coulee, Reston, Sinclair, Treherne, Winkler.

Saskatchewan: Archerwill, Churchbridge, Codette, Cymric, Drake, Duval, Foam Lake, Garrick, Glamis, Govan, Leslie, Lockwood, Marchwell, Mozart, Nipawin, Pambrun, Redvers, Rose Valley, Rouleau, Shamrock, Sheho, Simpson, Smeaton, Stalwart, Tuffnell, Tyvan, West Bend, White Fox, Wishart, Vogel, Burrows.

INDIAN POLICY PROPOSALS—HIRING
OF CONSULTANTS

Question No. 1,704—Mr. Simpson:

1. How many consultants has the government hired or entered into contracts with to advise them on means of gaining acceptance of the Indians in various parts of Canada to the Indian policy proposals?

2. What are the names of these consultants?

3. What remuneration has each received?

Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): 1. The Department has entered into contract with the following persons for consultation and/or liaison services: