

## Questions

in Montreal. Their activities include trade questions and normal consular affairs. In addition, the official Soviet government press agency, Tass, maintains a representative in Ottawa.

2. The function of the diplomatic missions is that of facilitating the conduct of relations between their countries and Canada. The consulates are responsible for the carrying out of normal consular duties, which include trade questions and looking after the legitimate interests of the nationals of these countries in Canada.

3. The diplomatic staff of the U.S.S.R. embassy numbers 8, and the non-diplomatic staff 15. The diplomatic staff of the Polish legation numbers 3 and the non-diplomatic staff 4. The consular staff of Poland numbers 2, and the clerical staff employed in the Polish consulates at Montreal and Winnipeg numbers 3. The diplomatic staff of the Czechoslovak legation numbers 2, and the non-diplomatic staff 3. The consular staff of Czechoslovakia is 1. The diplomatic staff of the Yugoslav legation numbers 5, and the non-diplomatic staff, 5.

FOREIGN CONSULAR OFFICIALS IN CANADA—  
PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

**Mr. Adamson:**

1. How many consular officials are accredited to each of the following countries (a) U.S.S.R.; (b) Hungary; (c) Bulgaria; (d) Albania; (e) Roumania; (f) Czechoslovakia; (g) Poland; (h) Yugoslavia?
2. What privileges and immunities do they enjoy?
3. What restrictions, if any, are placed on their movements in Canada?

**Mr. Pearson:**

1. In Canada: (a) U.S.S.R., none; (b) Hungary, none; (c) Bulgaria, none; (d) Albania, none; (e) Roumania, none; (f) Czechoslovakia, 1; (g) Poland, 2; (h) Yugoslavia, none.

2. The privileges and immunities granted in Canada to consular officers of career in accordance with international practice, namely: inviolability of official premises, archives and communications; immunity in the performance of their official duties; exemption from customs duty; exemption from certain taxes such as income tax and succession duties; for consuls general limited excise exemptions.

3. None.

COMBINES INVESTIGATION ACT—FLOUR  
MILLING INDUSTRY

**Mr. Diefenbaker:**

1. Was a submission made to counsel following delivery to the Minister of Justice on the McGregor report on the milling industry for an opinion to ascertain whether the recommendations were such that proceedings either under the combines act or the Criminal Code should be taken?

2. If so, to whom was the submission made and on what date? If not, why was such a course not followed?

3. Was a legal opinion secured from the law officers of the crown or other counsel on the question as to whether the limitation of actions provided for in section 1141 of the Criminal Code applied to prosecutions under the Combines Act?

**Mr. Garson:**

1. Yes.

2. On July 11, 1949, to J. J. Kelly, K.C., Winnipeg, subsequently appointed to the Manitoba Court of King's Bench. On September 20, 1949, to T. N. Phelan, K.C., Toronto.

3. Yes.

## SURVEY OF INVESTMENT INTENTIONS

**Mr. Knowles:**

1. By whom was the survey of investment intentions for 1950, referred to by the Prime Minister on February 20, 1950, made?

2. When was this survey made, on what date were the results thereof reported, and to whom?

3. Are the detailed results of this survey available to members of parliament? If so, how may they be obtained?

**Mr. McIlraith:**

1. Economic research and development branch, Department of Trade and Commerce, in conjunction with the dominion bureau of statistics.

2. During the months November and December, 1949, and January and February, 1950. Preliminary results were reported to the Acting Minister of Trade and Commerce, and were made available in the supplement to the February issue of the *Canadian Statistical Review* on February 20, 1950.

3. See answer to No. 2. Final and detailed results will be included in "Private and Public Investment, Outlook 1950", to be tabled in parliament as soon as the document is available.

MOTOR VESSEL "ESKIMO"—QUESTION AS TO  
SUBSIDY

**Mr. Higgins:**

Has a subsidy been promised to either the provincial government of Prince Edward Island or a provincial government company of Prince Edward Island for the operation of the motor vessel *Eskimo*, in trade between Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland?

**Mr. Chevrier:** No.

PRAIRIE FARM ASSISTANCE—PAYMENTS TO  
HUSBAND AND WIFE

**Mr. Argue:**

1. Can a husband and wife receive separate payments under the Prairie Farm Assistance Act for land operated by each?

2. If so, what are the regulations governing such payments, and what other factors, if any, are considered before payment is made?