

Questions

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): The federal government does provide financial incentives, by way of cost-sharing, to the provinces for rehabilitation programs, for example, work activity projects under the Canada Assistance Plan. In addition, through the on-going consultative services of the Department of National Health and Welfare and through federal-provincial working groups, increased attention is being given to the rehabilitative aspects of welfare services.

REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING THE
RECOGNITION OF COMMUNIST CHINA

Question No. 2,585—**Mr. Laprise:**

1. Has the Canadian Government received letters, telegrams or resolutions from Canadians or from Canadian associations objecting to the recognition of Communist China?

2. If so, how many has the Government received?

3. Has the Government received Notes or indications from foreign governments opposing Canada's recognition of Communist China?

[Translation]

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): 1. Yes, the Canadian government has received letters and telegrams from Canadian citizens and from Canadian associations objecting to our proposal to recognize the Government of the People's Republic of China. The Canadian Government has also received letters from Canadian citizens and associations supporting the proposed recognition of the Government of the People's Republic of China.

2. Since May 29, 1968 when the Prime Minister made his initial statement concerning the intention of the Canadian Government to enter into negotiations toward recognition with the Government of the People's Republic of China, the Office of the Prime Minister and the Department of External Affairs have received 183 letters objecting to this proposal.

3. Yes. Two protest notes have been received from the Embassy of The Republic of China. The U.S. State Department press officer, Robert McCloskey, commenting on the Canadian proposal to recognize the Government of the People's Republic of China said on February 11, 1969, "We are very much concerned over the possible implications of such moves for the position of the Government of the Republic of Nationalist China, which is a responsible and co-operative member of the international community and with

which the Government of Canada maintains diplomatic relations". A small number of other governments have indicated confidentially that they have certain reservations about the decision of the Canadian Government to recognize the Government of the People's Republic of China. Several governments have similarly indicated that they welcome the Canadian initiative.

[English]

SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY RIOT

Question No. 2,596—**Mr. Hales:**

1. With regard to the riot at Sir George Williams University, how many people were arrested?

2. What was their Country of origin?

3. How many were in possession of Visas and what status did each one who was from another Country have?

4. What fines were levied?

5. How many were deported as a result of this riot, and to what Countries were they deported?

6. How many of those arrested were receiving student loans, grants, or scholarships from the Canadian Government?

7. Were any of those involved receiving grants from the Canada Council and, if so, how many and what was the total amount of the Canada Council grants?

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the departments of Manpower and Immigration and External Affairs and the Canada Council as follows: 1. Ninety-seven.

2. Forty-nine were Canadian citizens. The breakdown by citizenship of the remaining 48 people is as follows: Trinidad, 10; Jamaica, 4; Guyana, 2; Barbados, 2; Bahamas, 1; Dominica, 1; Haiti, 1; Other West Indies, 10; Belgium, 1; Algeria, 1; Israel, 1; New Zealand, 1; U.S.A., 5; Portugal, 1; Morocco, 1; France, 1; Italy, 1; Great Britain, 2; Germany, 2.

3. The status of the aliens is as follows: Landed Immigrants, 26; Applicants for Landing, 2; Students, 18; No status, 2.

4. Only one person has so far been fined under the Immigration Act in connection with this matter. Information on other fines which may have been levied under the Criminal Code or Juvenile Delinquency Act would have to be obtained from the courts in Montreal.

5. Until at least such time as the courts have dealt conclusively with the charges against the individuals awaiting trial in this matter, the Department of Manpower and