

*Routine Proceedings***QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER**

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk)

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State and Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 159 and 188.

[Text]

Question No. 159—Mr. Harvard:

What was the total cost of the military participation in the gulf war?

Hon. Marcel Masse (Minister of National Defence): \$690 million, spread over two fiscal years (1990/91 and 1991/92).

Question No. 188—Mr. Turner (Halton—Peel):

For the period of November 5, 1991 to December 4, 1991, what has been the (a) total cost (b) cost per question (c) cost for this question, to the government for answering Order Paper Questions?

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State and Leader of the Government in the House of Commons):

(a) & (b)	Questions answered during the period of November 5, 1991 to December 4, 1991:		
Question No.	Approximate Cost	Question No.	Approximate Cost
29	\$ 145	130	\$ 42
55	110	131	108
74	85	132	45
80	2,100	139	330
104	87	140	30
109	436	141	310
112	180	153	25
117	210	157	38
128	30	161	38
129	59	—	—
TOTAL COST \$4,408			

[English]

Mr. Speaker: The questions as enumerated by the parliamentary secretary have been answered.

Mr. Cooper: I ask, Mr. Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

Some hon. members: Agreed.

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MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State and Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Mr. Speaker, would you be so kind as to call Notice of Motion for the Production of Papers No. P-7 in the name of the hon. member for St. Boniface.

P-7—Mr. Duhamel—September 16, 1991

That an Order of the House do issue for copies of all documents relating to the RCMP investigation of the TIEM Canada franchise firm.

Mr. Cooper: The information that is being requested was obtained and prepared by the RCMP in the course of a lawful investigation pertaining to the detection, prevention or suppression of crime. The release of this information would have the effect of disclosing investigative techniques and of revealing the identity of a confidential source of information or revealing information that was prepared in the course of an investigation.

Therefore, in accordance with section 16(1)(a)(i) of the Access to Information Act, the RCMP is not in a position to disclose any of the records of TIEM Canada in its possession. Therefore, I ask the hon. member to withdraw his motion.

Some hon. members: Transfer it for debate.

Mr. Speaker: Transferred for debate.

Mr. Cooper: Mr. Speaker, I ask that the remaining Notices of Motions for the Production of Papers be allowed to stand.

Mr. Riis: On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, directed to my hon. friend the parliamentary secretary to the government House leader.

Standing Order 39(5) states:

A Member may request that the Ministry respond to a specific question within forty-five days by so indicating when filing his or her question.