

Questions

2. The positions taken by our delegations are along the general lines set forth in 1 (a), (b) and (c) of the question.

CANADIAN COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE—
DISCUSSIONS WITH U.S.S.R.Question No. 68—**Mr. Orlikow:**

1. Have there been any discussions between the Government of Canada and the Government of the U.S.S.R. regarding the launching of the Canadian communications satellite and, if so, what were the results of these discussions?

2. If no discussions were held, when did the Government of Canada change its policy as announced to the Standing Committee on Broadcasting, Films and Assistance to the Arts on April 22, 1969, page 1,485 of the Committee's Proceedings, and for what reasons?

Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General and Minister of Communications): 1. No.

2. The Government of Canada has not changed its policy regarding the launching of the Canadian communications satellite. Only two countries are able to place satellites in a geostationary orbit: the U.S.S.R. and the U.S.A. In fact, only the U.S.A. have achieved this objective. We have negotiated with success an agreement in principle and now Telesat is negotiating the commercial details.

DRUG PATENT LICENCES

Question No. 74—**Mr. Saltsman:**

1. What applications have been received under the revised Patent Act for licences from the Patent Commissioner to manufacture or import and sell patented drugs, up to September 30, 1969?

2. What applications have been approved or refused by the Patent Commissioner?

3. What reasons were given for those drug patent applications that have been rejected?

Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): 1. Up to September 30, 1969 the Patent Office has received 50 applications for the grant of licences to manufacture or import and sell patented drugs under the revision to Section 41 of the Patent Act which became effective on June 27, 1969.

Applications have been received from the following applicants: 1 application from Compagnie Pharmaceutique Vita Ltée, St. Romuald, Que.; 1 application from Frank W. Horner Limited, Montreal Que.; 4 applications from Inglis Pharmaceuticals Ltd, Rexdale, Ont.; 1 application from Laboratoire Medic Ltée, Ville de Laval, Que.; 1 application from Laboratoires PRO-DOC Ltée, Ville de Laval, Que.; 2 applications from Micro Chemicals Limited, Toronto, Ont.; 2 applications from Mowatt & Moore Limited, Pointe Claire,

Que.; 1 application from Neo Drug Company, Montreal, Que.; 9 applications from Novopharm Limited, Scarborough, Ont.; 1 application from Roche William Cie Ltée, Montreal, Que.; 25 applications from S. & U. Chemicals Limited, Toronto, Ont.; 1 application from Trans-Canada Dermapeutics Ltd., Montreal, Que.; 1 application from Verdun Pharmaceutical Laboratories, Montreal, Que.

2. No applications approved or refused up to September 30, 1969.

3. Answered by 2.

COPPER PRICE INCREASES

Question No. 76—**Mr. Saltsman:**

Is the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs presently investigating the recent increases in copper prices in Canada and, if so, what have been the results of this investigation and is action contemplated under the Combines Investigation Act?

Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): It is the policy of the Director of Investigation and Research under the Combines Investigation Act to scrutinize all significant price movements which come to his attention and he is charged with the responsibility of initiating an investigation whenever he has reason to believe there has been an offence against the Act. It is the practice, however, that no information is given out as to whether an inquiry is being pursued with respect to a particular group of companies or individuals unless and until a report is published.

ATOMIC EXPLOSION BY U.S. IN
ALEUTIAN ISLANDSQuestion No. 126—**Mr. Rose:**

Was the Government of Canada given any details or information by the United States Government why the Atomic Blast in the Aleutian Islands near Alaska was terribly important to the national security of the United States and, if so, what was this information?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): No.

FALSE ADVERTISING BY JACK ANTHONY

Question No. 155—**Mr. Saltsman:**

1. What criteria was used by the Combines Investigation Branch in charging Jack Anthony with false advertising?

2. Did Mr. Anthony claim that the "jet ignition unit with transistors" would give "better gas mileage, easier starting and better performance"?

3. Were tests undertaken by the Combines Investigation Branch to determine whether Mr. Anthony's claims were justified?

4. If so, who undertook these tests, and what were the results?