

## Order Paper Questions

3. Of the total amount accepted for payment in the Province of Quebec under the federal-provincial agreement, what amount will be provided by the (a) government (b) provincial government?

**Mr. Jacques-L. Trudel (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Finance):** 1. The federal government has agreed to share costs incurred by Quebec as a result of the 1974 floods. The costs are to be shared in accordance with the established federal policy under which the amount of the federal financial contribution is determined by the application of a graduated population-based formula to the actual eligible costs incurred by the province. Accordingly, the amount of the federal financial contribution cannot be accurately calculated until a claim is received from the province and the provincial figures audited. A claim from the province has not yet been received, but the province has recently indicated that it will soon be submitting its claim for payment of the amount due, and that it is now ready for a federal audit. It is expected that the audit will be completed by the end of the 1975 calendar year.

2 and 3. See above.

## CBC—PRESERVATION OF ARCHIVAL MATERIAL

Question No. 3,560—**Mr. Fairweather:**

1. Did CBC destroy one hour special documentaries covering seven years of the Dominion Drama Festival now Theatre Canada and, if so, what is the explanation for such a policy and were Theatre Canada officials asked for their advice?

2. What is CBC's policy regarding preservation of archival material?

3. Does CBC maintain archives?

4. Will the Public Archives be contacted before decisions are made about destruction of tapes?

**Miss Coline Campbell (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State):** I am informed by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation as follows: 1. Videotapes of CBC's coverage of Dominion Drama Festival finals have been erased to allow re-use of the tapes. Black and white television recordings on film exist for most of the final events over the past eight years. In three cases, where there is no record of the total production, color film segments of the dramatic portions exist. Theatre Canada has not been consulted.

2. CBC has developed a comprehensive policy governing preservation of archival material. In general, programs are selected for retention in accordance with a number of criteria. These relate to such matters as the history and culture of Canada, and broadcasting as a means of entertaining and informing people. The selection of programs for permanent retention is limited by the funds and space available for this purpose.

3. CBC maintains film and tape archives for radio and television at its production centers.

4. CBC and Public Archives of Canada signed an agreement in February 1975 providing for close consultation between the two organizations about retention of programs.

[Mr. Lefebvre.]

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT RELATING TO CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT OF SCHOOLS—QUEBEC

Question No. 3,564—**Mr. Lambert (Bellechasse):**

Is there a financial assistance agreement between the government and the Government of the Province of Quebec concerning the construction and equipment of schools and, if so (a) what is its nature (b) on what date was it signed (c) for what school level?

**Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council):** In so far as the Department of Regional Economic Expansion is concerned: There is no financial assistance agreement between the Department of Regional Economic Expansion and the Government of the Province of Quebec for the construction and equipment of schools. However, under the Special Areas Agreements for Quebec City, Trois-Rivières and Sept-Îles/Port Cartier signed June 8, 1970, the Department of Regional Economic Expansion has provided loans for the construction and installation of equipment in composite schools (i.e. secondary school level) in order to improve urban living conditions. In so far as the Department of the Secretary of State is concerned: Yes. (a) Under the federal-provincial programme for the development of bilingualism in education, the province of Quebec can be reimbursed, as can all other provinces, up to \$100,000 annually for expenses related to the construction or improvement of language training centres. These centres can be used for activities and purposes connected with language training and research. (b) On April 1, 1974. (c) All levels.

## CHILEAN AND VIETNAMESE REFUGEES IN WINNIPEG

Question No. 3,575—**Mr. Whiteway:**

1. How many (a) Chilean (b) Vietnamese refugees are registered with the Department of Manpower and Immigration in Winnipeg and what are their names and addresses?

2. In each case, what specific goods and services were (a) promised to them prior to their arrival in Canada (b) in fact, provided to those registered with the Department of Manpower and Immigration in Winnipeg?

3. Is it government policy or the policy of the Minister of Manpower and Immigration to classify all information pertaining to refugees as privileged information?

4. Did the Minister issue a directive to the Department of Manpower and Immigration Office in Winnipeg that would have the effect of preventing scrutiny of information by the public or by a Member of Parliament?

**Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister of Manpower and Immigration):** 1. On October 31, 1975, there were (a) 159 Chilean and (b) 95 Vietnamese refugees registered with the Canada Manpower Centre in Winnipeg. It is not departmental policy to publish the names of our clients as this information is considered to be confidential.

2. (a) It is not the policy of the Department to make specific promises to individual prospective immigrants. Prior to their arrival in Canada, Chilean and Vietnamese refugees were informed that Canada Manpower Centres would assist them in finding suitable employment and in establishing themselves in Canada; (b) Services were provided in accordance with existing departmental policies and include placement services, interpreters and language training as appropriate, and funds for such items as food, shelter, clothing, furniture, household equipment and dental care.