

*Questions***ABM SAFEGUARD SYSTEM—BIDS BY
CANADIAN FIRMS****Question No. 643—Mr. Broadbent:**

1. Are Canadian firms presently, under the Canada-U.S. Defence Production Sharing Agreement, attempting to bid for components, materials, etc., to be used in the construction of the U.S. ABM Safeguard System and, if so, what firms and specific materials are involved?

2. Is the International Programs Branch of the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce presently attempting to pursue contracts for Canadian firms regarding the construction of the American ABM Safeguard System?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): 1. The Department is not aware of any Canadian firms bidding for contracts relating to the U.S. ABM Safeguard System although, under the Canada-U.S. Production Sharing Program Canadian companies would be eligible to compete.

2. The International Programs Branch of the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce is not actively seeking contracts for Canadian firms regarding the construction of the U.S. ABM Safeguard System.

EXPORTS TO U.S. BY ALCAN*Question No. 644—Mr. Broadbent:**

For the years 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968 and 1969 to date, what products, and in what financial magnitude, have been exported to the United States from the Canadian firm ALCAN, under the Canada-U.S. Production Sharing Agreement?

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the information requested is not releasable since it is provided to the Canadian government for statistical purposes only and on the understanding that it is to be treated as commercially confidential affecting the competitive position of the company involved.

**EMIGRATION OF MCGILL GRADUATES TO
UNITED STATES****Question No. 651—Mr. Rondeau:**

1. During the past ten years, how many students from McGill University have emigrated to the United States upon completion of their studies?

2. What percentage is this of the total number of students graduating from that institution?

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I and 2. Information not available.

REFORM OF EXCHEQUER COURT**Question No. 658—Mr. Fortin:**

1. What stage has been reached in the studies relating to reform of the Exchequer Court?

[Mr. Orange.]

2. Is the government studying means of improving judicial control of government decisions so that citizens may be better protected?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice): In so far as the Department of Justice is concerned: The government is studying ways and means of improving judicial control of administrative decisions and it is anticipated that legislation will be introduced during the present session dealing with the Exchequer Court and judicial control of administrative decisions.

**PAYMENTS UNDER HOSPITAL INSURANCE AND
DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES ACT****Question No. 673—Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg
North Centre):**

What was the total amount paid by the federal government under the Hospital Insurance and Diagnostic Services Act to each of the provinces for 1968?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Newfoundland, \$18,042,070; Prince Edward Island, \$3,451,496; Nova Scotia, \$26,338,314; New Brunswick, \$21,056,614; Quebec, NIL; Ontario, \$264,800,153; Manitoba, \$32,943,818; Saskatchewan, \$33,800,232; Alberta, \$55,281,166; British Columbia, \$65,772,481; Yukon, \$459,634; Northwest Territories, \$1,028,417; Total: \$522,974,395.

The above payments are advance payments and amount to approximately 97 per cent of the estimated contributions by Canada. Final settlements for 1968 will be made when all the audited cost returns have been submitted by the provinces.

Payments are not made to the Province of Quebec under the Hospital Insurance and Diagnostic Services Act, but equivalent contributions are allowed to that province under an agreement made under the provisions of the Established Programs (Interim Arrangements) Act. Had advance payments been made to Quebec for 1968 under the Hospital Insurance and Diagnostic Services Act, these advances would have totalled \$223,398,983 for the year.

**DEMURRAGE CHARGES, SHIPS WAITING
FOR GRAIN****Question No. 699—Mr. Korchinski:**

What amount of demurrage charges were paid for ships waiting for grain in the last two years and at what ports were the delays?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister without Portfolio): As indicated in the Annual Report of The Canadian Wheat Board for the 1967-68