Introduction of Bills

Mr. John Evans (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 122, 196 and 375.

[Text]

TECHNICAL AWARENESS PROGRAM

Question No. 122-Mr. Stewart:

Is there a Technical Awareness Program (TAP) and, if so, for each fiscal year since its inception, what amount was spent by the National Research Council under the Program?

Mr. Rolland Dion (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State for Economic Development and Minister of State for Science and Technology): Within a subsection of the National Research Council's Industrial Research Assistance Program there is a specific service which has in the past been called the Technical Awareness Program. This service since 1964 has provided current information in the form of 60,000 briefs per year to approximately 3,500 clients. This sub-element of the Industrial Research Assistance Program involves approximately three and a half person years at a total operating cost of about \$150,000 including copying, computer use, postage and salaries.

MOSST-EMPLOYMENT OF OUTSIDE CONSULTANTS

Ouestion No. 196-Mr. Blenkarn:

1. In the fiscal year (a) 1981-82 (b) 1982-83 were outside consultants employed by the Ministry of State for Science and Technology and, if so (i) how many (ii) what was the total amount paid?

2. Were any consultants paid more than \$20,000 and, if so, in each case what (a) was his/her name (b) was the amount (c) services were provided?

Mr. Rolland Dion (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State for Economic Development and Minister of State for Science and Technology): In so far as the Ministry of State for Science and Technology is concerned:

1 (a) (i) 50. (ii) \$131,931. (b) (i) 65. (ii) \$248,187.

2. 1981-82. (a) Phoenix Associates, (b) \$45,000, (c) To provide technical and management services and advice to assist MOSST carry out activities related to the space program.

1982-83. (a) Hickling-Partners Inc. (b) \$44,384.47. (c) Consulting services in connection with the "Study on the Disposition of Intellectual Property Arising from Extramural Research and Development"; and, Consulting services to study and report on the economic issues associated with the disposition of intellectual property produced by the variety of federal Government extramural support and funding mechanism.

(a) Raoul Theriault. (b) \$22,434.94. (c) Consulting services to produce an analysis of medium-term opportunities open to industries in the Atlantic region to use technology to enhance their competitiveness and growth; and, consulting services to produce an analysis of medium-term opportunities open to industries in the western and northern regions to use technology to enhance their competitiveness and growth.

(a) Nordicity Group Ltd. (b) \$32,500. (c) Consulting services to evaluate a book published annually entitled "Federal Science Activities"; and, Consulting Services relating to an R and D framework related to the disabled and handicapped.

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

Question No. 375-Mr. Howie:

1. In the current fiscal year how many persons are employed in the office of the Commissioner of Official Languages and what is the total estimated cost of salaries?

2. For each of the two preceding fiscal years what amount was spent for salaries?

Mr. John Evans (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): The Commissioner of Official Languages reports directly to Parliament and not through a minister. Ouestions can be made directly to him.

[English]

Mr. Speaker: The questions enumerated by the Parliamentary Secretary have been answered.

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OUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

Mr. John Evans (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, if Question No. 251 could be made an order for return, the return would be tabled immediately.

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House that Question No. 251 be deemed to have been made an order for return?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

[Text]

CBC RADIO STATIONS

Question No. 251-Mr. McKinnon:

What is the location, range and frequency of each CBC AM and CBC FM radio station in Canada?

Return tabled.

[English]

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

Mr. Speaker: Shall the remaining questions stand?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.