

*Order Paper Questions*

## DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND CORPORATE AFFAIRS FIELD WORKERS

Question No. 845—**Mr. Howie:**

How many field workers of the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs are employed in New Brunswick?

**Miss Aideen Nicholson (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs and Postmaster General):** 1. Twenty-three (including inspectors, officers and support staff).

## NEW FIGHTER AIRCRAFT CONTRACTS

Question No. 882—**Mr. Wenman:**

What percentage of the new fighter aircraft contract will be spent in the four western provinces and (a) what will be the amount in dollars (b) what type of work will be involved?

**Mrs. Ursula Appolloni (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Defence):** (a) and (b) New fighter aircraft (CF-18) industrial benefits have not been estimated specifically for the four western provinces but Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce have estimated that Canadian provinces other than Quebec and Ontario will share some \$400 million—11 per cent to 12 per cent—of the new business created by the McDonnell Douglas offset program.

Approximately \$1.3 billion of benefits remain to be allocated before the program formally ends in December, 1995. The western provinces share of that business depends largely on the imagination, aggressiveness and competitiveness of the companies there, and the encouragement and assistance which provincial governments provide to companies in their jurisdictions.

Western companies have already received NFA industrial benefits in the form of airframe and engine component production subcontracts; and the transfer of cryogenic technology to aid in pipeline design and construction. Opportunities are being provided to western companies to compete for: CF-18 engine and airframe assembly work; commercial transport structural manufacture; the provision of computer software; the transfer of advanced technology related to grain and woodpulp drying; solar and wind energy; metal-plating and medical diagnostic systems; investments in new facilities to manufacture plastic molds and glass components for the electrical industry and tourism to Canada which McDonnell Douglas has undertaken to promote at home and abroad.

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[English]

## STARRED QUESTION

**Mr. D. M. Collenette (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** Madam Speaker would you be good enough to call starred question No. 868?

[Text]

## \*EEC—TARIFFS ON CANADIAN GROUND FISH

Question No. 868—**Mr. Gass:**

1. Has Canada held meetings with the European Economic Community aimed at the elimination of tariffs on Canadian groundfish by the EEC and, if so, on what dates and in which locations did the meetings take place?

2. What did Canada offer in return for such tariff concessions by the EEC?

**Mr. George Henderson (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Fisheries and Oceans):** Madam Speaker, the answer is in two parts. 1. Negotiations between Canada and the EEC have been under way since 1977, with meetings held alternately in Ottawa and Brussels. The current phase began with a meeting in Brussels January 31 to February 1, 1980. A second session took place in Ottawa, April 24 and 25, 1980. Further negotiations are expected to take place in the near future.

2. Canadian objectives to be covered in the bilateral agreement include provisions concerning the protection of Canadian interests in stocks beyond the 200-mile limit; protection for Canada's Atlantic salmon; and reduction of tariffs on Canadian fish products to the lower levels which apply to Canada's major competitors. To obtain these concessions we would be expected to establish allocations to the EEC at an agreed level off the Atlantic coast for a limited period of time. As negotiations are still in progress the details are, of course, confidential.

[English]

**Mr. Collenette:** Perhaps, Madam Speaker, the other questions could be allowed to stand.

**Madam Speaker:** The questions enumerated by the parliamentary secretary have been answered. Shall the other questions be allowed to stand?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

## GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

## BORROWING AUTHORITY ACT, 1980-81

## SUPPLEMENTARY BORROWING AUTHORITY

The House resumed, from Tuesday, June 3, consideration of the motion of Mr. MacEachen that Bill C-30, to provide supplementary borrowing authority for the fiscal year 1980-81, be read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs.

**Mr. Dan McKenzie (Winnipeg-Assiniboine):** Madam Speaker, I closed the debate on Bill C-30 on June 3, 1980, and I wish to continue today to speak briefly on this billion borrowing bill. We have yet to hear any proper explanation as to why there should be a requirement for \$12 billion. We are not accepting this bill sitting down because there should have