

Orders for Returns

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PROGRAMMES AVAILABLE FOR UNIVERSITIES

Question No. 1,065—**Mr. Howie:**

1. What programmes are available to assist in the construction of university buildings or for the provision of equipment, teaching aids or other such facilities?
2. What programmes are available to assist university teaching staff members to further their knowledge and teaching careers?
3. Is there any such assistance for teachers at the primary and secondary level?

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JOB CREATION PROJECTS

Question No. 1,487—**Mr. Kempling:**

1. How much money is being spent by the government on job-creation projects this winter?
2. How many (a) jobs (b) man-days of employment will be created?
3. What direct return of revenue will such jobs provide for the government?
4. What direct benefit to the economy will the job-creation projects provide?
5. What is the number of Canadians employed in establishments of (a) less than 10 (b) less than 25 (c) less than 50 (d) less than 100 (e) less than 200 (f) greater than 500 individuals?
6. What is the total number of persons employed in Canada?
7. What is the number of companies with annual sales (a) less than \$250,000 (b) between \$250,000 and \$500,000 (c) between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000 (d) between \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000 (e) between \$2,000,000 and \$5,000,000 (f) greater than \$5,000,000?
8. What percentage of the capital borrowed by the establishments mentioned in Part 7 is used in (a) inventory (b) mortgages (c) other ways?

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[English]

STARRED QUESTION

Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, would you be so kind as to call starred question No. 2,206?

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*CANADIAN ARMED FORCES—NEWFOUNDLAND

Question No. 2,206—**Mr. Jones:**

1. Are any Canadian Armed Forces units located in the Province of Newfoundland and, if so, how many?
2. Has the government and/or the military given any consideration to Newfoundland's strategic location for defence purposes and for enforcement and surveillance of Canadian sovereignty and, if so (a) in what manner (b) what consideration has been given to establishing substantial military (air, army and navy) establishments in the Province?
3. Is the government and/or the military aware of announcements by the Government of France that it intends to increase air and harbour facilities on the Islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon and, if so (a) what view does the government take (b) what effect will this have on Canadian defence and fishing industry?
4. Has the government recently considered the acquisition of the Islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon from France and (a) if so, on what date was such acquisition considered (b) if not, what plans does the government have in this regard?

[Mr. Goodale.]

[English]

Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Departments of National Defence and External Affairs as follows: 1. Yes, 25.

2. (a) The strategic importance of the whole of Canada's Atlantic coast including, of course, the coast of Newfoundland for defence operations in the North Atlantic and for the protection of Canada's national maritime interests is fully recognized in Canadian and allied defence planning. The strategic value of Newfoundland, in particular, for air defence and maritime surveillance activities finds tangible expression in the regular operational use of facilities in that province for these purposes. (b) No consideration is being given at present to creating substantial new military establishments in Newfoundland since our present base facilities in the Maritimes amply meet current military requirements.

3. Yes. (a) The improvements to airport and harbour facilities in St-Pierre are matters entirely within the hands of the French authorities. In so far as access to the islands by small Canadian passenger jets would be made possible, the government welcomes the development of the airport. (b) This will have no effect on Canadian defence. In view of the interim fisheries arrangements between Canada and France which are now in place, there will be no effect on the Canadian fishing industry.

4. No. These islands are an overseas department of the Republic of France and are not for sale.

[English]

Mr. Speaker: Shall the remaining questions be allowed to stand?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: Orders of the day.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

WAYS AND MEANS

EXCISE TAX ACT

On the order: ways and means proceedings:

May 6, 1977—Consideration of a motion to concur in a ways and means motion to amend the Excise Tax Act—The Minister of Finance.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member for New Westminster (Mr. Leggatt) on a point of order.

Mr. Leggatt: Mr. Speaker, I had understood that Bill C-51 would be called today, but I understand there has been a change of plan on the part of the government House leader. I wanted to advise your Honour that I intend to argue the substance of Bill C-51 in regard to different subject matters in