

## Order Paper Questions

**Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister of Manpower and Immigration):** 1. (a) None; (b) None.  
2. Not applicable.

## ORGANIZATION OF SCIENTOLOGY

Question No. 2,867—**Mr. Brisco:**

1. Has the organization of Scientology ever been investigated by the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs?

2. How many complaints were registered against this organization with the Department and what was the general nature of such complaints?

**Hon. André Ouellet (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs):** 1. No.

2. The Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs has received approximately 10 complaints and enquiries about the Church of Scientology. Some have been of a general nature, while others have involved specific instances where a consumer sought the return of donations made to the Church.

## IMMIGRATION EXAMINATION

Question No. 2,877—**Mr. Macquarrie:**

1. Were Sabri Bader and Mohammed Aba Rafié members of the Palestinian Trade Union detained on Thursday, June 12 at Dorval International Airport and, if so (a) for what period of time (b) what was the purpose of the delay and interrogation?

2. Is it government policy that no Palestinian may enter Canada without a special ministerial permit and, if so, what is the reason for such policy?

3. Were Abdul Rahman Khadr and Avis Hassanien of the Egyptian Trade Union movement detained at Dorval Airport on June 11 and, if so (a) for how long (b) what was the reason for their delay and prolonged interrogation?

4. Is it government policy that no Egyptian citizens may enter Canada without exceptional inquiry and interrogation?

5. Was Fayez Sayegh detained at the Toronto International Airport when he came to Canada as a guest of the Canadian Arab Federation on May 18 and, if so (a) for how long (b) what were the reasons for such detention and delay?

**Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister of Manpower and Immigration):** 1, 3 and 5. No. Every person seeking to come into Canada must first appear before an immigration officer at a port of entry for examination as to whether he is or is not admissible to Canada. The time taken for such an examination depends upon the circumstances concerning individual cases. In the instances referred to in parts 1, 3 and 5, there was no undue delay.

2. Ministers Permits are issued to persons who, for one reason or another, are unable to comply with certain portions of the Immigration Act or Regulations but whose temporary admission would pose no threat to Canada's national security or health. Issuing of Ministers Permits is in no way influenced by an individual's country of residence or citizenship.

4. No.

[Mr. Clark (Rocky Mountain).]

## QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

## DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR—TRAVEL EXPENDITURES

Question No. 711—**Mr. Stevens:**

1. In each fiscal year ending March 31, 1972, 1973 and 1974, and for the six month period ending September 30, 1974, what was the aggregate expenditure by the Department of Labour for travel abroad by (a) the Minister of Labour and his immediate staff (b) departmental staff (c) the staff of boards, commissions, tribunals, Crown corporations or other similar agencies reporting to the Minister (d) others whose expenses were paid in part or in whole directly or indirectly by the government?

2. In the case of an expenditure in excess of \$200 (a) what was the purpose of the foreign trip (b) what was the furthest destination (c) what is the name of the person(s) who took the trip (d) how long was the person(s) outside the country (e) what was the nature of the expenditure (f) how many others were in the party making the trip?

Return tabled.

**Mr. Stevens:** Mr. Speaker, I would draw to the attention of the parliamentary secretary starred question No. 2,124 which has been on the order paper for almost four months. It deals with the rumoured disbanding of the Prime Minister's economic advisory council, commonly referred to as the group of seven. With the budgetary papers still being before us, having recently heard the budget speech, I think it is very pertinent that members of this House understand whether this group is still functioning or in fact has been disbanded.

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## EXCISE TAX ACT

RULING BY MR. SPEAKER ON BILL C-66

**Mr. Baldwin:** Mr. Speaker, may I rise on a point of order before Your Honour delivers your ruling? I understood from reading what you said yesterday that you thought the bill and the ways and means resolution should be brought closer together, hopefully without prejudice to the progress of the bill. I am just paraphrasing what Your Honour said as recorded at page 7550 of *Hansard*. If your order is to be predicated on the fact that there was no agreement reached between the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles), myself and the government, and for that reason the fault attaches to either of the opposition parties and the order is based on that, I think we should be heard before the Chair delivers that ruling.

**Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** Mr. Speaker, on the same point of order, I felt when the President of the Privy Council (Mr. Sharp) made his statement a moment ago that each of us should be allowed at least a brief sentence. It is true that we had meetings and we were unable to come to an agreement, but this is a two-way proposition. We were not able to agree to the proposition put before us by the President of the Privy Council, but we made a proposal to which he was not prepared to agree.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I want to assure hon. members that I make the same assumption which I made when I left the matter to the House to be resolved upon consent, that this is exactly the process which should take place. I make no judgment at all about the difficulty of coming to