

trials with Gerovital H3 in depression were approved to be conducted in Canada, but as far as the department is aware, they were never performed.

2. (a) Gerovital H3 was apparently developed in Rumania but the Department of National Health and Welfare is unaware of the manner of distribution of the drug in that country.

(b) No information.

(c) As with any other drug for a new indication, clearance for marketing Gerovital H3 in Canada would require that the manufacturer file with the health protection branch of the department an acceptable submission including substantial evidence of the pharmaceutical quality, efficacy and safety of the product for the indications and under the conditions of use recommended. No such submission has been filed.

3. No information.

4. No.

SECURITY CLEARANCE

Question No. 1,230—Mr. Cossitt:

1. Was a new security clearance plan formulated by the Department of Supply and Services, under the former government, and was it about to be issued and, if so, what were all the details of the plan?

2. Has the government taken any steps in this regard and, if so (a) what are they (b) is it adopting any of the decisions of the former government and, if so, on what date will details become known?

Hon. J.-J. Blais (Minister of Supply and Services): 1. No.

2. Not applicable.

MR. ROBERT MURRAY

Question No. 1,249—Mr. Cossitt:

1. Is Mr. Robert Murray, sculpturer of the works on exhibit in Rockcliffe Park, a Canadian citizen?

2. Did the Canada Council state that the sculptures were being placed in Rockcliffe Park to exhibit works of Canadian artists and did Mr. Lavoie of the Canada Council state that he did not know whether Mr. Murray was Canadian or not "but he at least has strong connections with Canada" and, if so, what are Mr. Murray's strong connections with Canada?

Mr. Peter Stollery (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State and Minister of Communications): I am informed by the Canada Council: 1. Yes 2. (a) Yes (b) Yes (c) Mr. Robert Murray is a Canadian citizen.

PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICIAL RESIDENCE—SCULPTURE

Question No. 1,253—Mr. Cossitt:

1. What is a full description and the designated name of the item erected on the property at the Prime Minister's official residence, 24 Sussex Drive and (a) is it made of steel and, if not, what is the metal involved (b) is it a sculpture (c) what was the total cost thereof (d) who was the artist or manufacturer?

2. Was the item purchased from public funds and, if so, what department or Crown corporation is the owner?

3. Is it the policy of the government to erect "strange" objects on the lawn at the Prime Minister's residence?

Hon. Paul J. Cosgrove (Minister of Public Works): 1. The designated name of the item erected on the property at the Prime Minister's official residence is *TOGIAC*;

(a) it is made of steel;

(b) it is a sculpture;

(c) it is being leased from the Canada Council Art Bank for two years at an annual rent of \$500.00. The installation expenditures of \$500.00 were paid jointly by Public Works Canada and the Canada Council Art Bank;

(d) the artist is Robert Murray.

2. The item was purchased from public funds by the Canada Council Art Bank.

3. It is the policy of the government that the occupant of the Prime Minister's residence select works of art for the grounds according to his personal taste. The sculpture *TOGIAC* was chosen by the previous Prime Minister and was erected on the present site last fall.

VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

Question No. 1,266—Mr. Cossitt:

1. Is the Department of Employment and Immigration placing pressure on refugees from Vietnam to repay transportation loans and, if so, have complaints been received that they are not able to make such payments until gainfully employed?

2. Have complaints been received by the department that such refugees have become frightened by letters received from the department on the grounds that in their previous environment, letters from a dictatorial "State" caused them fear?

3. Will the government adopt a different policy towards these people and, if so, what are all the details?

Hon. Lloyd Axworthy (Minister of Employment and Immigration): 1. The commission is required under section 46(1)(a) of the immigration regulations to collect loans from all immigrants. This section states that the first payment is due "on the first day of the month following the month in which the person for whose benefit the loan was made arrives in Canada." However, the initial letter sent to them asks for their co-operation in assessing their financial situation in order to arrive at a mutually agreeable repayment schedule. It also states that, if they are unable to make regular payments at this time or if their financial situation is such that they would prefer to postpone beginning repayment of their loan for some time, they should contact their local Canada Immigration Centre. (See copy below)

2. Although a small number of representations have been received, there is no indication that such letters have caused fear. It should be noted, however, that the refugees are counselled overseas as well as at the staging areas (Griesbach, Alberta and Longue-Pointe, Quebec) on the Canadian way of life.

3. No.