

Routine Proceedings

• (1515)

Would the hon. member be so kind as to answer the question regarding federal government properties in Quebec?

The Deputy Speaker: I will recognize the hon. parliamentary secretary first on the two points of order just raised, and then to answer questions on the Order Paper.

[English]

Mr. Peter Milliken (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, with respect to the first point of order that was raised by the hon. member for Calgary Southeast, I indicated last week that I hoped I would have an answer by the end of the week and I am still optimistic. It obviously was not last week, but as soon as an answer is available I will provide the hon. member with an answer.

As to her allegation that reports to the Canada Council are vague, I have had occasion to look at the reports and have read them from time to time. My recollection is that there are substantial lists and no vagueness about them. They simply say who got grants. Perhaps the hon. member regards that as vague. Her question does ask who received grants. I would have thought that there was a pretty good source in those annual reports. I urge her to have a second look.

In any event, I will do my best to provide an answer for her at an early date.

With respect to the hon. member for Québec-Est, my recommendation is that he go through that box of materials I tabled in the House on Friday in response to his question.

I cannot say that I looked at all 1,200 pages before I tabled the documents, but I think he will find the answer in there. If he does not, I will take his representation as one I am prepared to raise with the minister involved. I will see if the additional information can be provided to the hon. member with dispatch.

The Deputy Speaker: I wonder if the parliamentary secretary might also make the usual observation that he does on these occasions.

Mr. Milliken: Mr. Speaker, I was so put off by all these points of order that I forgot that I do have a question to answer today. Question No. 115 will be answered today.

[Text]

Question No. 115—**Mr. Hermanson:**

With respect to the \$4.8 million grant to build a museum of industry in the riding of Saint-Maurice, (a) under what program was this grant awarded, (b) what guidelines were followed to the awarding of such a grant, (c) how many permanent and part time jobs were created and (d) how many contracts have been awarded and to what companies and/or individuals?

Mr. Peter Milliken (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of Government in the House of Commons, Lib.): I am informed by the department of human Resources and the Federal Office of Regional Development—Quebec, FORD-Q, as follows:

In so far as Human Resources Development Canada, HRDC, is concerned:

a) b) and c) The Centre de l'interprétation de l'industrie de Shawinigan Inc., CII, is administered by a council of community workers, comprised of a variety of citizens. The building it is operating in at the moment is owned by Hydro-Quebec. Presently funding for this building is provided by five groups: ALCAN, Stone Console-Division Belgo, pulp and paper mill, Hydro-Quebec, the city of Shawinigan and the city of Shawinigan-South.

In the last four years HRDC has been providing the centre with local employment development projects, indirect funding. The centre acts as the sponsor for these training programs.

To date Human Resources Development Canada has committed a total of \$1,212,359 toward the Centre de l'interprétation de l'industrie de Shawinigan Inc.

Program	Fiscal Year	Participants	Amount
challenge	1992-1993	4	\$10,152
	1993-1994	4	\$10,152
	1994-1995	5	\$16,086
job development	1991-1992	4	\$44,206
	1992-1993	4	\$52,489
	1993-1994	4	\$42,900
UI section 25	1992-1993	2	\$10,874
	1994-1995	2	\$25,500
community development	1994-1995	*	\$1,000,000
	1995-1996		
	1996-1997		

*The program is just beginning and at this time it is too early to estimate the number of people who will be employed during the next three operating years.

The guidelines followed can be found in the ED component of the employment manual, which includes several volumes. However, all Canada employment centres are equipped with these manuals.

In so far as the Federal Office of Regional Development—Quebec, (FORD-Q), is concerned:

a) b) and c) FORD-Q has awarded a contribution of \$3.5 million to the Centre de l'interprétation de l'industrie de Shawinigan Inc., CII, under the regional development program, RDP. This CII project is eligible for assistance as a facility that will foster regional economic development and should create 300 jobs during the construction phase.

In addition, the centre will generate 40 direct jobs for its operations and 200 indirect jobs among concession holders, subcontractors and other firms in the region once it is up and running.