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With regard to the amounts of their submissions, it has not been customary to require the Corporation to provide such details of its internal administration. The background to this custom is explained in detail in the reply to Question No. 2530 tabled on November 6, 1975. Moreover, most of the bidders, as is normal practice, requested confidentiality of the information contained in their submissions.

(*c*) Telecommunications Terminal Systems (TTS).

(*d*) $4,059,000.

2. (*a*) Yes.

(i) An RFP (Request for Proposal) was issued via courier on January 20, 1984 calling for tender submissions at noon on February 13, 1984. However, an earlier warning had been given by telephone to the nine potential suppliers on January 17, 1984, which had the effect of extending the notice period from 23 to 26 days. This length of time was considered sufficient for the purpose.

(ii) With regard to the name and job designation of the CBC official who authorized the deadline, it has not been customary for Parliament to require the Corporation to provide such details of its internal management and administration as the names and titles of those exercising their delegated authority. The background to this custom is explained in detail in the reply to Question No. 2530 tabled on November 6, 1975. However, senior officials of both the engineering and supply and services departments were involved in making this decision.

(iii) Yes, one company. This company did not submit a tender although a spokesman had indicated verbally that they intended to do so.

(*b*) not applicable.

3. No.

4. Yes. (*a*) Yes. There were, however, two overriding conditions—the product had to be a proven one and it had to be Canadian. (*b*) The program was completed by March, 1985. (*c*) No.

5. Yes. (*a*) and (*b*) Effective project approval for the CBC's SRCPP project was given at a meeting of the Treasury Board on November 23, 1983. (*c*) It is estimated that 2117 person weeks of employment were created by this project.

6. CBC did issue a Request for Information (RFI) for telephone equipment at that time, but the RFI was for Ottawa only. No further action beyond the RFI was taken, however, because of other priorities within available capital funding.

MACDONALD HOTEL, EDMONTON, ALTA.

Question No. 513—**Mr. Rodriguez:**

Is the Canadian National Railway remodelling and dismantling part of the MacDonald Hotel in Edmonton and, if so was the work tendered and (*a*) if so (i) on what date did the tendering take place (ii) how many tenders were received (iii) which firm or firms won tenders and for what amount (*b*) if not, what method was used to select the construction firm or firms?

Hon. Don Mazankowski (Minister of Transport): The management of Canadian National Railways advises as follows:

(*a*) Yes. Remodelling of Hotel MacDonald. (i) The Construction Management contract was tendered in August, 1985. (ii) Five. (iii) Stuart Olson Construction Ltd. was selected.

(*b*) Not applicable.

Demolition of New Wing of Hotel MacDonald. (i) The demolition of the New Wing was tendered by Stuart Olson as part of the Construction Management Agreement. (ii) Six. (iii) Arrow Demolition International Inc., was selected by Stuart Olson.

Canadian National does not disclose financial details of commercial transactions between itself and persons or firms providing services as such would be contrary to our practice and to the rights of those with whom we contract who expect that the commercial confidentiality of their transactions will be respected.

(*b*) Not applicable.

[*Translation*]

Mr. Lewis: Mr. Speaker, I ask that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

Mr. Speaker: The questions enumerated by the Parliamentary Secretary have been answered. Shall the remaining questions stand?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[*English*]

THE BUDGET

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF MINISTER OF FINANCE

The House resumed from Monday, March 3, consideration of the motion of Mr. Wilson (Etobicoke Centre) that this