

REPRESENTATIONS BY CLC REGARDING ITS SOCIAL ACTION PLAN

Question No. 1,895—**Mr. Yewchuk:**

1. Has CLC made any representations to the Canadian Government concerning its social action plan recently revealed at the national convention?
2. If any such representations were made, would the government be willing to work with CLC in organizing certain under-privileged members of Canadian society?

Hon. Bryce Mackasey (Minister of Labour):
1. No.

2. A reply to this could be determined only if and when such representations are made.

ASSISTANCE TO CHILDREN OF PRAIRIE FARMERS TO ATTEND UNIVERSITY

Question No. 1,896—**Mr. Yewchuk:**

Will the government consider giving social financial assistance to children of Prairie farmers who are currently experiencing economic difficulties in order to permit them to attend university in the next academic year?

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance):
The Canada Student Loans Act provides for assistance to all full-time university students who can demonstrate financial need. The criteria used in determining the amount of loan to be granted include the income of the parents of a dependent student. Thus, any change in the income of a student's family will be reflected in the amount of aid available to the student. Lending in the three prairie provinces under this program has shown an increase to date this loan year compared to the last full loan year (July 1 to June 30) as follows:

	1968-69 (whole year)	1969-70 (10 months to April 30th)
Alberta	\$8,340,345	\$10,744,249
Sask.	\$6,564,848	\$ 8,421,671
Man.	\$3,448,789	\$ 4,326,396

NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN CANADA AND RED CHINA—TRANSPORTATION COSTS

Question No. 1,911—**Mr. Coates:**

1. What has been the cost to the federal government for transportation provided to members of the government service who have participated in the negotiations presently underway between Canada and the Government of Red China in Stockholm?

2. What are the names of the persons who were required to fly to Stockholm for these negotiations, from what location did they fly to attend the meetings at Stockholm, on how many occasions and, in each instance, did they fly economy, first class or by government aircraft, either the full distance or a portion of that distance?

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3. Were these transportation costs included in the \$7,402 indicated by the government as the additional assistance provided to the Embassy at Stockholm in connection with the negotiations and if they were not included as additional costs, for what reason?

Mr. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State for External Affairs): 1. Approximately \$3,325.

2. (a) John M. Fraser; (b) Ottawa; (c) Five; (d) Economy class commercial flights for full distance in all cases.

NATIONAL PARKS—EXPANSION OF ACCOMMODATION FACILITIES

Question No. 1,922—**Mr. Noble:**

1. Is it the intention of the government to expand accommodation facilities to meet the requirements of an increasing number of visitors to the National Parks by acquiring suitable areas now available for such new park development?

2. In considering additional areas for National Parks, would the government give serious consideration to acquiring the area now available with the closing of the Meaford Tank Range?

Mr. Russell C. Honey (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): 1. Yes.

2. When the Department of National Defence declares land surplus, its potential for use by other governmental agencies is examined. Due consideration will be given to the park potential of the Meaford Tank Range.

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

MANPOWER AND IMMIGRATION CONSULTANTS

Question No. 987—**Mr. Noble:**

1. How many consultants not associated with the Public Service of Canada have been retained by the Department of Manpower and Immigration since its establishment?

2. What are (a) the names of the firms or individuals retained (b) what was the reason in each instance for retaining the service (c) what was the cost in each instance where a firm was involved (d) what was the fee and expense where an individual or individuals were involved?

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MANPOWER AND IMMIGRATION CONSULTANTS

Question No. 1,042—**Mr. Coates:**

1. How many consultants, not associated with the Public Service of Canada have been retained by the Department of Manpower and Immigration during the present Parliament?

2. What are the names of the firms or individuals retained, what was the reason in each instance for retaining the service and what was the cost in each instance where a firm was involved and what was the fee and expense where an individual or individuals were involved?

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