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MASON JARS AND LIDS

Question No. 300-Mr. Whittaker:

How many companies in Canada produce masonry jars and lids for home canning (a) do they produce both items for sales individually (b) what percentage of their production is sold outside Canada (c) what has been their total production of these items in the past five years, by year?

Mr. Gaston Clermont (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): Two companies produce glass Mason jars in Canada. These are Consumers Glass Company Limited and Dominion Glass Company Limited. These companies buy the lids and rings from Anchor Cap and Closure Corporation of Canada Limited and/or Bernardin of Canada Limited. The glass companies ship the Mason jars complete with lids to their distributors. The lid and ring manifacturers in addition to supplying the glass companies also supply the replacement market. The Mason jar and lid manufacturers do not export these products. Production statistics are not published. However, the two Mason jar manufacturers have advised the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce that their current combined production is about 8.5 million jars per year, and 1974 production was higher than in any of the four preceeding years. The companies also advise that, in the past, certain market areas, i.e. British Columbia, have been inacessible to them because of U.S. imports.

AIR CANADA-UNCOMFORTABLE ECONOMY AIR TRAVEL

Question No. 336-Mr. Herbert:

Is the government aware that economy air travel is already an uncomfortable experience for those unfortunate enough to be six feet tall or more and will the government exercise whatever influence it may have over Air Canada to stop consideration of the shaving of two inches of leg space from each row aboard their jetcraft in order to accommodate two additional rows?

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport): The management of Air Canada advises as follows: The airline is not considering any changes to economy class seating on any of its aircraft, nor has it made any changes for the past several years. The seat pitch in economy class is 34 inches, which conforms with standards set by the International Air Transport Association and the aviation industry.

ESTABLISHMENT OF AIRPORT—MUNICIPALITY OF WESTLOCK, NO. 92, ALBERTA

Question No. 385—Mr. Elzinga:

- 1. Has any progress been made to establish an airport in the Municipality of Westlock, No. 92, Alberta?
- 2. Can the Minister of Transport advise how much of a grant will be forthcoming for the proposed construction of the airport?

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport): 1. Yes. Municipality of Westlock has applied for financial assistance to aid in construction of proposed new airport facility for the community.

2. No. The application is currently under review.

NAMES OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED IN GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Question No. 388-Mr. Clark (Rocky Mountain):

What is the (a) name (b) position (c) job description of every individual presently employed by (i) Atomic Energy of Canada Limited (ii) the Bank of Canada (iii) the Canada Council (iv) the Canadi an Broadcasting Corporation (v) the Canadian Commercial Corporation (vi) the Canadian Dairy Commission (vii) the Canadian Film Development Corporation (viii) the Canadian International Development Agency (ix) the Canadian Radio-Television Commission (x) the Canadian Transport Commission (xi) the Canadian Wheat Board (xii) the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation (xiii) the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer (xiv) the Defence Research Board (xv) the Economic Council of Canada (xvi) Eldorado Nuclear Limited (xvii) the Federal Court of Canada (xviii) the Food Prices Review Board (xix) the Foreign Investment Review Agency (xx) the Fresh Water Fish Marketing Corporation (xxi) Information Canada (xxii) the National Capital Commission (xxiii) the National Energy Board (xxiv) the National Farm Products Marketing Council (xxv) the National Film Board (xxvi) the National Gallery of Canada (xxvii) the National Harbors Board (xxviii) the National Research Council of Canada (xxix) the Representation Commissioner (xxx) the Science Council of Canada, who worked in the Office of the Prime Minister, in the Privy Council Office or as a Research Assistant, Special Assistant, Executive Assistant, secretary, advisor, consultant or in any other capacity in or for the office of any Minister or Minister of State from 1973 to the

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council): The answer to this Question is similar to the reply to Question No. 159 answered this day. It would require the review of personal files of every individual employed in the agencies listed.

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CONSTRUCTION OF RAILROAD EAST OF JAMES BAY

Question No. 437—Mr. Laprise:

Is it the intention of the government to construct a railroad east of James Bay for the transport of ores and goods?

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport): There is no active study by the federal government at the present time to construct a railway east of James Bay.

STUDY OF EXISTING TERMINAL FACILITIES AT NORTH SYDNEY, NOVA SCOTIA

Question No. 501-Mr. Muir:

- 1. Did the Marine and Ferry Branch of the Department of Transport conduct a study to assess the existing terminal facilities and operations at North Sydney, Nova Scotia?
 - 2. What were the results and recommendations of such a study?
- 3. What was the cost of this study and how many people were involved?

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport): 1. The Marine and Ferry Branch of the Ministry of Transport engaged Swan Wooster Engineering Company Limited to study the existing ferry terminal facilities at North Sydney, Nova Scotia, and to recommend a program of development that would enable the terminal to adequately handle the traffic offering until the year 2000.

2. The final report has not yet been received from the consultant, but based on the draft already submitted to the Ministry of Transport the final report will recommend the construction of a new stern loading dock, parking lot and passenger facilities in 1975/76, and the construction of