

system that encourages the expansion of Canadian companies in the gas and oil industry. Companies that are in the oil and gas discovery and exploration business contribute to Canada's self-sufficiency in oil products and also spend money in Canada that is used to employ Canadians. This money does not disappear into thin air. It is used in prospecting for the resources Canada needs today and will need in the years to come. Meanwhile, I repeat that this money is being spent inside the country to employ Canadians.

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[English]

CITIZENSHIP

APPLICATION OF SIDNEY JAFFE

Mr. Robert Wenman (Fraser Valley West): Madam Speaker, my question is directed to the Secretary of State. As a result of last week's Florida court decision Mr. Sidney Jaffe may now return to Canada, thereby addressing the larger question of our sovereignty rights. My question concerns Mr. Jaffe's citizenship status. Is the Minister and is the Government now satisfied that Mr. Jaffe's application for Canadian citizenship contained no false representations, or concealment of any circumstances material to his application?

[Translation]

Hon. Serge Joyal (Secretary of State): Madam Speaker, according to the information provided by Mr. Jaffe, a citizenship judge has already determined that he has fulfilled his citizenship requirements. No evidence has been provided to date establishing that at the time the information was given by Mr. Jaffe, it was false or erroneous, in which case I could exercise the authority I have under the Citizenship Act to review a decision made previously by a citizenship judge.

[English]

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS

Mr. Robert Wenman (Fraser Valley West): Madam Speaker, in view of the fact that Mr. Jaffe claimed three years of residence at 1000 Green Street in San Francisco, California, on a bail bond application dated August 7, 1980, and that, according to the Secretary of State, he was granted citizenship under Section 5(1) of the Act, Mr. Jaffe may not have fulfilled the residence requirements under Section 5(1)(b) of the Citizenship Act. Will the Minister now meet his commitment to provide the information requested to the House, or in writing, particularly the date of application and the date on which Mr. Jaffe received his citizenship?

[Translation]

Hon. Serge Joyal (Secretary of State): Madam Speaker, the question which the Hon. Member has asked me in the House before is an important one, because it raises the possibility of a conflict between the Citizenship Act and the Privacy Act. On the Basis of Section 3 of the Privacy Act, unless the person

concerned gives his consent, I am not prepared to disclose the date on which a person was granted citizenship.

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[English]

AGRICULTURE

CANADIAN EGG MARKETING AGENCY—APPLICATION OF GOVERNMENT RESTRAINT PROGRAM

Hon. Jake Epp (Provencher): Madam Speaker, I would like to direct a question to the Minister of Agriculture. Marketing boards which come under the National Farm Products Marketing Act, specifically CEMA, have a built in formula whereby prices paid to farmers for products sold are based on costs of production formulae. Is that cost of production formula subject to the six and five program of the Government?

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, I know full well what the Hon. Member is talking about. It is a dispute which CEMA has with the Government of Canada on the six and five formula. CEMA had agreed to that. We are asking it to stay within the six and five formula as best it can.

EGG PRICING FORMULA

Hon. Jake Epp (Provencher): Madam Speaker, along with the problems Canadian farmers are facing with cash flow, the cost-price squeeze, the withholding of money in the western grain stabilization program, we have a situation where farmers, under formulae agreed to by the Government and the farming community that they would be entitled to a 4 cents per dozen Grade A large egg increase, have now been told by Cabinet, through CEMA, that they would be restricted to two cents of the price increase in order to stay within the six and five program. Could the Minister of Agriculture explain how he is protecting Canadian farm interests? How can Canadian farmers, facing increased costs—for instance, feed has gone up tremendously in the last few weeks—survive under broken agreements which they entered into with the Government in good faith?

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): Madam Speaker, I am sure the Hon. Member knows that the formula which farmers abide by has been a good formula. It is working well. Of all the farmers who, it has been reported to me, have gone bankrupt, not one egg producer has gone broke. They are under a marketing board. It runs supply management. The efficient operators are still making a dollar. We are reviewing the problem with which they are confronted at the present time because of the extra increase costs of protein and grain, due mainly to the dry weather, and also because of the payment in kind program in the United States of America.