## Inquiries of the Ministry

#### CITIZENSHIP

HIRING OF ALEXIA ALEXANDROVICH BANDY BY BRANCH

Mr. Steven E. Paproski (Edmonton Centre): Mr. Speaker, I direct my question to the Minister without Portfolio in charge of Information Canada. Would the minister please inform the House under whose recommendation Alexia Alexandrovich Bandy was hired for the Citizenship Branch under Information Canada in the Vancouver area?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Perhaps the question might be taken as notice.

Mr. Paproski: The minister knew the question was coming, Mr. Speaker.

[Later:]

Mr. Paproski: Mr. Speaker, on a point of order, I should like to direct my question to the Minister of Manpower and Immigration who is familiar with the matter. I should like to direct the question to him, if I may.

Mr. Speaker: That is hardly a point of order, but I am sure that the hon. member should be given the opportunity to ask his question at this time.

Mr. Paproski: Would the minister please state under whose recommendation Alexia Alexandrovich Bandy was hired for the Citizenship Branch of Information Canada in the Vancouver area?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, I should have thought that that was the kind of question that might be put on the order paper, but will draw it to the attention of my colleague.

Mr. Paproski: Mr. Speaker, if the minister is going to bring it to the attention of his colleague, then may I pose a supplementary. Is the minister stating that the qualifications of people hired by this government will now be that they be known Maoists and fifth columnists?

### **FISHERIES**

FINISHING OF WORK ON NADINA SPAWNING CHANNEL—
REPRESENTATIONS TO UNITED STATES RESPECTING
FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION

Mr. Lloyd R. Crouse (South Shore): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct my question to the Secretary of State for External Affairs. Currently, the International Pacific Salmon Fisheries Commission is trying to get the United States to provide some \$200,000 needed to finish the work on the Nadina spawning channel in northern British Columbia. This work has been stopped because of the failure of the United States government to match the Canadian contribution to the Fraser River rehabilitation project. Since the spawning channel—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Perhaps the hon. member might ask the question.

[Mr. Jamieson.]

Mr. Crouse: Yes, Mr. Speaker; I was just trying to lay the groundwork so the minister would understand the basis of my question. Since the spawning channel will return to both nations much more than the relatively small amount of money required to complete it, will the minister communicate with the United States authorities on this matter and report back to the House so that work can resume on this very worth-while project?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): Yes, Mr. Speaker.

#### CORPORATE AFFAIRS

PROHIBITION OF ISSUANCE OF NON-VOTING STOCK BY CANADIAN COMPANIES

Mr. Eldon M. Woolliams (Calgary North): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs. In view of the lack of knowledge of the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, I should like to ask the minister whether he is giving any thought to changing the Companies Act to prohibit the issuing of non-voting stock by Canadian corporations? It is the voting stock of corporations that is being sold to foreigners who put up the money.

Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): Mr. Speaker, since the premise on which the question is based is wrong, I cannot answer it.

[Later:]

Mr. Woolliams: Mr. Speaker, may I ask the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs, who gave a legal opinion, whether any thought is being given to amending the Companies Act in this regard?

Mr. Basford: Mr. Speaker, we amended the Canada Corporations Act last session and we are working on a second revision for introduction but it won't be for some time. We will, of course, look at the situation to which the hon. member, I take it, referred to see whether such a provision should be included in the second revision, but it will be a good time in the future.

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REQUEST FOR STATEMENT ON PERSONNEL INCREASE IN DEPARTMENTAL AGENCIES

Mr. Barry Mather (New Westminster): Mr. Speaker, I had a question I wanted to ask the Minister without Portfolio reporting for Information Canada who was in his seat up to a moment or two ago. Perhaps Your honour would allow someone to take notice of my question.

Having in mind the return made yesterday by the President of the Privy Council indicating a very marked increase in the number of employees, and in the cost thereof, of the various government information departments since Information Canada came into being, I