

2. Although there are no Treasury Board regulations governing the outfitting of the offices of senior officials with electrical appliances, deputy heads are responsible for exercising and maintaining a high standard of probity and prudence in all aspects of the management of their departments and for ensuring that any acquisitions are appropriate to their needs.

#### SELECTION OF CENSUS COMMISSIONERS

##### Question No. 5,306—Mr. Cossitt:

To the knowledge of the government, were appointees as Census Commissioners, for the Constituency of Leeds, for the 1976 Census members or supporters of the Liberal Party and, if so (a) is the government officially aware that Mr. Edward Lanigan was the provincial candidate for the Liberal Party in Leeds in the last provincial election (b) is the government officially aware that Mrs. Elsie Wilson of Smiths Falls is the Secretary of the Leeds Liberal Association (c) are all such appointments made on the basis of politics rather than on the basis of public competition and merit and, if so, for what reason?

**Mr. Marcel Roy (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce):** Statistics Canada reports the following: With respect to (a) and (b) Statistics Canada has no knowledge of the background or political affiliation of those individuals who are referred as Census Commissioner Candidates. Statistics Canada recommends for appointment only qualified candidates irrespective of their political affiliation. With respect to (c) the recruitment procedures for Census Commissioners are outlined in the answer to 2(a) of Question No. 5,307. It must be reiterated that candidates must pass both a personnel selection test and personal interview administered by employees of Statistics Canada. Statistics Canada does not recommend unqualified candidates to the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce for appointment.

#### SELECTION OF CENSUS COMMISSIONERS

##### Question No. 5,307—Mr. Cossitt:

1. What constituencies are included under the jurisdiction of Mr. Robert L. Potvin, a regional director of Statistics Canada?

2. (a) What is a detailed description of methods used by Mr. Potvin or his representatives in selecting census commissioners for the 1976 Census (b) what is the name and address of every person contacted in regard to such appointments in each constituency (c) were Members of Parliament contacted and, if so, which ones and what is their political affiliation (d) in constituencies not represented by a Member of Parliament who is a member of the Liberal Party, were any members of Liberal Party executives contacted and, if so, what are their names and addresses?

**Mr. Marcel Roy (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce):** Statistics Canada reports the following: 1. The constituencies included in the jurisdiction of the Ottawa Regional Office of Statistics Canada (Mr. R. L. Potvin, Regional Director) follow: (See table)

2. (a) The appointment of commissioners for the 1976 Census of Canada falls under the authority of the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce as contained under Section 5 of the Statistics Act. The same procedure for recruiting and appointing Commissioners has long been established several censuses ago. A local contact is appointed through the Minister's Office for each constituency for the purpose of identifying potential Commissioner candidates

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to Statistics Canada regional officers. All Commissioner nominees are subjected to a qualifying test administered by Statistics Canada; they are also interviewed by Statistics Canada employees. Those candidates judged by Statistics Canada to be qualified are recommended for appointment to the Minister; (b) The attachment lists the names and addresses of all local contacts provided to the Ottawa Regional Office of Statistics Canada. In addition, several Canada Manpower Centres were also contacted; (c) Question 2(b) above, indicates those constituencies where the Member of Parliament acted as a local contact for his/her own constituency; (d) In all constituencies the name of the local contact was provided to Statistics Canada by the office of the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce. Statistics Canada has no information as to whether or not the local contacts are members of Liberal Party executives.

#### Ottawa Regional Office area of responsibility

| Federal Electoral District         | Name and Address of Contact                                               |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Abitibi                         | M. François Godbout<br>6 rue Principale N.<br>Amos, Québec.               |
| 2. Gatineau                        | M. Gaston Clermont (M.P.)<br>Thurso, Québec                               |
| 3. Hull                            | Mme. Claudia Deslauriers<br>61 rue Corbeil,<br>Hull, Québec.              |
| 4. Pontiac                         | Mr. Fred Metcalfe<br>P.O. Box 401,<br>Bristol, Québec.                    |
| 5. Témiscamingue                   | M. Jacquelin Bergeron<br>Nédélec, Québec.                                 |
| 6. Villeneuve                      | M. Lionel Brochu<br>663-3e avenue,<br>Val d'Or, Québec.                   |
| 7. Algoma                          | Mrs. Mary Gillis<br>211 Hunter Street,<br>Espanola, Ontario.              |
| 8. Cochrane                        | Conrad Stewart<br>38 Kimberly Drive,<br>Kapuskasing, Ontario.             |
| 9. Frontenac, Lennox and Addington | Mrs. Grace Stalker<br>R.R. # 1,<br>Bath, Ontario.                         |
| 10. Glengarry-Prescott-Russell     | Alvarez Laliberté<br>503 rue Laurier,<br>Hawkesbury, Ontario.             |
| 11. Grenville-Carleton             | Mrs. Pat Beaudry<br>1339 Meadowlands Dr., Apt.<br>911<br>Ottawa, Ontario. |
| 12. Kingston and The Islands       | Mr. Bob Little<br>346 Clarence Street,<br>Kingston, Ontario.              |
| 13. Lanark-Renfrew-Carleton        | Jim McGregor<br>Douglas, Ontario.                                         |