

### Order Paper Questions

some were removed earlier than May 4, but all were displayed for the standard 28-day period.) (b) A total of 18 unilingual French boards were posted in Ontario.

2. Neither unilingual-English nor unilingual-French nor bilingual boards were posted in Quebec due to insufficient billboard space availability at the intended time of posting.

3. (a) Yes, Department officials so stated. (b) There was no preferential treatment in as much as English (and French) radio was utilized in Quebec (and in no other province) to offset the lack of billboard advertising availability as outlined in No. 2 above.

### PROJECTED DND CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

#### Question No. 4,398—Mr. McKinnon:

1. What are the Department of National Defence's projected capital requirements for 1982 to 1997 broken down into (a) major equipment (b) other equipment (c) recurring replacement (d) construction (e) research and development?

2. What is the Department's actual capital budget expected to be for the fiscal years 1983-84 to 1985-86?

3. What has been the increase in real terms in the Department's annual capital budget for the fiscal years 1980-81 through 1982-83?

4. What is the projected real growth in the Department's annual capital budget for the fiscal years 1983-84 to 1985-86?

**Hon. J. Gilles Lamontagne (Minister of National Defence):**  
1. Projected capital requirements are subject to Cabinet decisions on the over-all defence envelope. Figures shown below are totals for the 15-year period expressed in 1982-83 dollars.

Item	Dollar Requirements (millions of dollars)
(a) Major equipment	\$ 20,300
(b) Other equipment	2,100
(c) Recurring replacement	3,800
(d) Construction	1,600
(e) Research and development	1,400

2. Capital budget estimates for fiscal years 1983-84 to 1985-86 are not finalized, however, based on the envelope levels announced in the November 12, 1981 budget and departmental plans for the period, the capital budget levels are expected to be as follows: (expressed in budget year dollars)

Fiscal Year	Forecast Capital Budget (millions of dollars)
1983-84	\$ 1,900
1984-85	2,200
1985-86	2,500

3. 1980-81 to 1981-82, 9.3 per cent actual; 1981-82 to 1982-83, 12.2 per cent forecast.

The envelope levels announced in the November 12, 1981 federal budget should provide for 15 per cent growth in 1983-84. At this point there is no provision for real growth from 1983-84 to 1985-86. Real growth may be achieved

through internal budget adjustments during each fiscal year but specific amounts could not be forecast at this time.

### PHOTOGRAPH AND MAP PACKAGE

#### Question No. 4,400—Mr. Greenaway:

1. Was a package containing a photograph of the Minister of State (Mines) and the Governor General of Canada, maps of Canada 1867 and a news release from the Minister's office for use in conjunction with Dominion Day distributed by Prestige Mailing Systems Ltd., 2249 Gladwin Street, Ottawa and sent by courier service and, if so, how many of the packages were sent by courier?

2. Were any packages mailed through the Canada Post Corporation and, if not, for what reason?

3. Did all the newspapers throughout Canada receive the package?

4. What was the cost of producing the package and what was the total cost of delivery (a) by courier (b) by the Canada Post Corporation?

5. Was a package sent by courier to the *Bridge-River Lillooet News* marked June 30, 1982 and, if so, for what reason, when there was virtually no chance of it arriving on July 1, 1982?

**Hon. Judy Erola (Minister of State (Mines)):** The Minister of State (Mines) reports as follows:

1. Yes, a package containing a photograph of the Minister of State (Mines) and the Governor General of Canada, a Canada Then and Now map package, and a news release from the Minister's office for use in conjunction with Dominion Day was distributed by Prestige Mailing Systems Ltd. and sent by courier service to 576 members of the Canadian Community Newspapers Association.

2. No. Technical problems with printing and packing the maps resulted in an unforeseen delay of the availability date for mailing the package. Therefore, courier service was utilized in order for the package to reach recipients as close to Dominion Day as possible.

3. No. (See part 1 above).

4. Production cost—\$1,783.08. (a) Delivery cost by courier—\$5,935. (b) Nil. See reply to part 2.

5. Yes. The reason is given in Part 2.

### HALIFAX GOVERNMENT TELEPHONE SERVICE

#### Question No. 4,408—Mr. Crosby:

1. Who operates the Government telephone service in the city of Halifax for metropolitan Halifax?

2. Was the operator changed within the last three months and, if so, for what reason?

3. What are the terms of the contract under which the operator is employed?

4. What is the level of service required to be provided in terms of (a) numbers of persons employed (b) facilities?

**Mr. Jack Burghardt (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Communications):** In so far as the Department of Communications is concerned, the reply to the above question is as follows:

1. The Government switchboards are now operated by Air Page Communications Ltd. of 2760 Robie Street, Halifax, under contract to the Government Telecommunications Agency for a 12-month period.