

*Questions*BILINGUAL BONUS TO PUBLIC SERVANTS,  
EDMONTONQuestion No. 1,060—**Mr. Lambert:**

How many persons in the public service of Canada, employed in Edmonton or its immediate area, qualify for the 7 per cent pay bonus or any other bonus for sufficient proficiency in both the English and French languages?

**Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):** I have been given the following information by the Public Service Commission: The answer to this question is "nil".

\* FLOOD CONTROL AGREEMENT, UPPER  
THAMES VALLEYQuestion No. 1,080—**Mr. Irvine:**

1. Is it the intention of the federal government to negotiate with the City of London, the Government of the Province of Ontario, and the Upper Thames Valley Conservation Authority for an extension of the 1961 Flood Control Agreement which would permit the completion of the program outlined in the Upper Thames Valley Conservation Report of 1952?

2. Have representations been received by the federal government from the City of London?

3. Have representations or submissions been received by the federal government from the Government of the Province of Ontario?

4. What initiative does the federal government intend to take in this urgent matter?

*[Translation]*

**Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources):** Mr. Speaker, the hon. member's question is related to the river Thames project and the Water Protection Act. 1. The 1961 Flood Control Agreement referred to in the question presumably is that signed by Canada and Ontario on January 28, 1961, providing for a contribution by Canada not exceeding \$3,615,200 over a period of ten years to the construction of four flood control reservoirs and related channel improvements on the Upper Thames River system. This agreement resulted from an application by Ontario for a financial contribution to these works under the above act. The initiative for negotiation of extension of the agreement rests with Ontario. Any negotiations would be between Canada and Ontario.

2. No representations have been received by the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources from the city of London in this connection.

3. No representations or submissions in this connection have been received by my department from the government of the province of Ontario.

[Mr. Munro.]

4. The initiative in this matter rests with the government of Ontario.

*[English]*NATIONAL MANIFESTATIONS ON PARLIAMENT  
HILLQuestion No. 1,084—**Mr. Lambert:**

1. Did the Secretary of State receive a letter from Z. Jarmicki, National President of the Canadian Polish Congress, protesting the exclusion of the Polish ethnic community from the national manifestations on Parliament Hill on June 30-July 1?

2. If so, what was the reply to such representations?

3. Were similar protestations received from national organizations representing the Italians, Dutch, Slovaks, and Hungarian communities in Canada and, if so, what was the nature of the replies?

4. What were the criteria used by the C.B.C. to determine participation in the national presentations made on Parliament Hill on June 30, in addition to long hair and screaming voices?

**Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):**  
1. No.

2. Not applicable.

3 and 4. Not from specific ethnic organizations, but a letter was received from the chairman of the Canadian Folk Arts Council commenting on the fact that some ethnic groups were not represented in the program. In reply, it was noted that the selection of participants in the program was a joint undertaking of the centennial commission, Canadian Folk Arts Council and Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. While the general goal was to reflect all facets of Canadian life, it was recognized that time and budgetary limitations would mean that some national groups and some geographical areas could not be represented. Since the program was to be viewed by Her Majesty the Queen as well as carried on national television, the final selection of participants was left to the C.B.C. producer who, it was felt, was best qualified to decide which groups together would offer the most representative, colorful and professional presentation.

\* REMOVAL OF INCOME TAX DOCUMENTS,  
WINNIPEGQuestion No. 1,086—**Mr. Sherman:**

1. Were any documents of taxpayers removed by officers of the Department of National Revenue from the premises of the taxpayers or of their accountants or agents in Winnipeg during January 1968?