Order Paper Questions

Hon. Yvon Pinard (President of the Privy Council): 1. No.

2. No. (a) Not applicable. (b) Not applicable.

SOVIET NEWS MEDIA PERSONNEL

Ouestion No. 3,031-Mr. Cossitt:

What are the names and addresses of all Soviet news media personnel accredited to work in Canada by the Department of External Affairs and, in each case, which news agency does he/she represent?

Hon. Mark MacGuigan (Secretary of State for External Affairs): Foreign news media representatives in Canada are not accredited by the Department of External Affairs. Accreditation of the individual as representing a particular publication or broadcasting organization is by his or her employer in the country of origin. Canadian recognition of the status of Soviet news media representatives resident in Canada is accorded by the granting of an appropriate visa by the Department of Employment and Immigration. In October, 1977, the Canadian and Soviet governments agreed, in accordance with the provisions of the Helsinki Final Act, that each country would grant to resident media representatives of the other country (and to members of their families) multiple entry-exit visas valid for one year. The validity of the visa is subject to extension.

At present, there are four Soviet news media representatives resident in Canada. They are: Mr. N. I. Bragin, representing Pravda; Mr. R. L. Kurkin, representing the Soviet State Committee for Radio and TV; Mr. A. O. Melikyan, representing Tass; and Mr. A. V. Sandakov, representing Novosti. As explained in answer to question No. 3,030 tabled this day, the department does not make public the private addresses of individuals without the express permission of the person concerned. All resident Soviet media representatives live in Ottawa, however, and can be reached through the press office of the Soviet Embassy.

EDUCATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE PROGRAM AT MILLHAVEN

Question No. 3,456-Mr. Cossitt:

- 1. Are inmates at the Millhaven Institution near Kingston permitted to take part in educational correspondence programs from such institutes as the University of Waterloo and, if so, when they write a written examination at the end of each term, does a "proctor" supervise the writing of the examination at Millhaven on behalf of the educational institute?
- 2. Did government employees at Millhaven act as proctors at any time for such examinations given by any educational institutes and, if so, which employees and was the name of Mr. C.W. Greaves included?
- 3. Were there cases when Millhaven inmates were not attended by a proctor during the examination but where those appointed to act as such from the Millhaven staff absented themselves, while at the same time pocketing the fee for rendering such services, and, if so, what were all the details and the names of the persons involved?

Hon. Bob Kaplan (Solicitor General): In so far as the Correctional Service of Canada is concerned:

1. The educational program at Millhaven Institution is supplemented by correspondence programs from outside North American recognized educational agencies including the

University of Waterloo, and all written examinations in these courses are supervised or proctored at all times.

- 2. All written examinations pertaining to outside educational agencies are "proctored" or "supervised" by the Supervisor of Academic Education, Mr. C. W. Greaves.
- 3. No examination to date has been unattended or unsupervised. The examinations are personally delivered to the inmate-candidate on the appointed date, time and place and in accordance with the instructions issued by the particular educational agency. Supervision is maintained throughout the examination and at the end of the three-hour writing or the surrendering of the paper by the candidate, whichever comes first, papers are collected, sealed and mailed to their destination.

With respect to fees for proctoring examinations, none of the educational agencies, with the exception of the University of Waterloo, pays any fees. The University of Waterloo pays \$23 per half day for supervising examinations but most of its examinations must be written on a Saturday since the university requires its examinations be written sometime during the weekend (Friday evening to Monday morning) and be mailed first thing Monday morning. Mr. Greaves does not request overtime compensation or travel allowance for his proctoring attendance on such occasions. The examinations are mailed to his home.

INSTALLATION OF DRYDOCK AT HALIFAX

Question No. 3,493—Mr. Blenkarn:

- 1. Did the government accept a tender by the German company GHH-MAN for the installation of the Panamax drydock in Halifax and, if not, for what
- 2. Would the drydock purchase from the German company have been completed at a price that would have saved Canadian taxpayers at least \$16 million?
- 3. Did the government engage Marine Industries of Sorel-Tracy, Quebec, to build the drydock and, if so, for what reason?
- 4. Does the company have the experience and facilities to build the drydock in one piece and to transport the dock to Halifax?
- 5. Did the government refuse to accept industrial benefits offered by GHH-MAN Canada, Inc. that would have made possible the purchase from Walbar Machine Products of Canada, Ltd. of turbine and compressor blades and, if so, for what reason?
- 6. Did the government reject the offer by GHH-MAN to build a diesel engine plant in Nova Scotia as part of its industrial offset and, if so, for what reason?
- 7. Did the government make arrangements in its contract with Marine Industries to protect the government of Nova Scotia and the Government of Canada from any overrun costs of Marine Industries and from any bad workmanship and bad building which might be caused by Marine Industries' lack of experience in building Panamax drydocks and, if so, what were the arrangements?

Hon. Herb Gray (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce and Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): The reply for the Department of Regional Economic Expansion is as follows:

1. No, because the GHH-MAN tender was not recommended by the province of Nova Scotia (a requirement of the federal-provincial agreement) for approval by the federal minister after detailed evaluation by consultants.