

*Order Paper Questions*

contracts to outside persons and organizations for research, development and other consulting services?

2. What are the names and addresses of these outside persons and organizations and what amounts of money were involved in each contract?

3. What was the purpose of each contract and title of each report submitted?

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DEPORTATIONS UNDER SECTION 28(1) OF 1967 IMMIGRATION ACT

**Question No. 357—Mr. Rowland:**

1. How many persons have been deported under Section 28(1) of the 1967 Immigration Act, as amended November 6, 1972 by Privy Council Order 1972-2502 which denies landing to persons seeking admission as immigrants who are not in possession of an appropriate visa?

2. (a) From which countries did such persons originate (b) how many deportees came from each such country?

3. How many of the persons deported stated that they were seeking entrance as visitors?

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REUNIFICATION OF MAINLAND CHINESE PEOPLE WITH FAMILIES IN CANADA

**Question No. 423—Mr. Schumacher:**

1. (a) What agreement was signed by Canada with China regarding reunification of mainland Chinese people with families in Canada (b) on what date and by whom was this agreement signed (c) what are the terms of reference of the agreement?

2. How many mainland Chinese have (a) already taken advantage of the program (b) applications pending under the program (c) made preliminary enquiries regarding the program?

3. By city and province (a) where are these people now located in Canada (b) where are those whose applications are pending planning to locate on entering Canada?

4. What investigations are being made to ensure (a) work opportunities (b) financial solvency (c) medical suitability (d) social independence and adaptability of such people?

5. What is the total projected number of such immigrants by (a) sex (b) age for each year 1973 to 1980?

6. Is the program to be effective on an unending basis?

7. What investigations are made of families in Canada seeking to reunify with relatives from mainland China?

8. What criteria are used for establishing *bona fide* family relationships both in China and in Canada?

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**Mr. Paproski:** I rise on a point of order related to my question No. 319 appearing at page 79 of today's order paper as follows:

1. In the Canadian Public Service, excluding Crown corporations, boards and agencies, how many women hold positions with salaries above \$15,000 annually?

2. What is the total number of persons of deputy minister rank in the Public Service, excluding Crown corporations, boards and agencies and, of these, how many are of the female sex?

3. Excluding Crown corporations, boards and agencies, what is the total number of Public Servants and, of these how many are (a) male (b) female?

**Mr. Speaker,** this question has been on the order paper for the last six months. They are very simple questions. The government appears to be neglecting to answer them,

[Mr. Nystrom.]

perhaps because they do not really care about the status of women in this country.

**Some hon. Members:** Oh, oh!

**Mr. Reid:** We had the answer to that question as of the end of the last session, but unfortunately there was no opportunity for us to table it. The fact that the hon. member put the question down again, revising the date to March 1, meant we had to conduct the inquiry all over again. I should like to point out to him that a thorough search of almost every file is required at a cost to the Canadian taxpayer of approximately \$5 for every file. This can be multiplied by a factor of approximately 300,000 public servants.

**Some hon. Members:** Shame.

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**Mr. Speaker:** May we have order, please. The hon. member for Edmonton Centre.

**Mr. Paproski:** Mr. Speaker, I would be satisfied to get the results as of the last session, if the parliamentary secretary does have those figures ready to produce.

**Mr. Bell:** Mr. Speaker, on a point of order; three times the parliamentary secretary has stated that the government had answers to questions ready at the end of the last session. I point out to the House that the government had an opportunity on the last day of the previous session, before we began anew, to table them, and they were asked by the opposition to do so.

## ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

[English]

### FINANCE

#### REASON FOR INCREASE IN BANK OF CANADA INTEREST RATE—POSSIBLE ADVANCE OF BUDGET DATE—GOVERNMENT POSITION

**Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition):** Mr. Speaker, I am sure the Minister of Finance would expect me to ask him a question about the striking increase in the rate of interest charged by the Bank of Canada. Would the minister tell the House in a few words the reason behind this striking increase in the cost of credit? Is it the view of the governor of the Bank of Canada and of the government that there ought to be higher mortgage rates and that the cost of operating small business, for example, should be higher?

**Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Finance):** Mr. Speaker, the governor of the bank, in raising the bank rate, is reflecting two major causes. The first is the sharply rising bond yields and interests rates in the United States and on the Eurodollar market, which has been the dominant factor pushing up interest rates in Canadian