

the functioning of the department and to contribute to research and policy planning projects to be undertaken by the department. He is also expected to deal with specific enquiries to the embassy concerning labour organizations and labour-management relations in Canada and on Canadian labour legislation, statistics, developments and other information. He is expected to encourage the development of accurate information on Canadian labour conditions and legislation in the United States. He has to establish and maintain contact and good working relations with the Department of Labour, other United States departments and agencies concerned with social affairs, as well as with officials of the American labour movement and employer organizations. Under the guidance of the Head of Mission, he has also to maintain contact on matters of mutual interest with provincial officials appointed to Washington, provide such assistance as is required by provincial ministers and officials visiting Washington in their official capacities, as well as assisting representatives of Canadian labour and management in making arrangements for visits to their counterparts in the U.S.

CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

Question No. 1,865—**Mr. Alexander:**

1. Which charitable organizations were consulted prior to or during the preparation of the circular from the Department of National Revenue documenting the limits to political activity of charitable organizations with registered tax exempt status, as stated by the Prime Minister in the House on May 1, 1978, House of Commons *Debates*, page 5008?

2. On what dates and by whom were they consulted?

Mr. Jacques Olivier (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Labour): 1 and 2. Discussions regarding political activity by charities and the devotion of all resources to charitable activities were held, over a period of years, with individual charities in regard to those aspects of their own application for registration or their entitlement to continued registration. As such discussions fall within the confidentiality provisions of the Income Tax Act, I am not permitted to disclose either the names of those charities or details of matters discussed.

EXPORT GRAINS—PORT OF VANCOUVER

Question No. 1,866—**Mr. Mazankowski:**

1. Did Vancouver Wharves request authority to handle bulk grain for 3 to 6 months of the year at the Port of Vancouver and, if so, was authority granted and, if not, for what reason?

2. Did Neptune Terminals request authority to handle rapeseed, wheat or barley for export at the Port of Vancouver and, if so, was authority granted and, if not, for what reason?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Transport and Minister of Justice): The National Harbours Board advises as follows: 1. To the board's knowledge, no such request was made.

2. Same as 1 above.

Order Paper Questions

GUELPH ARMORY—CONSTRUCTION

Question No. 1,867—**Mr. Beatty:**

1. Did the government contract to have a new floor placed in the Guelph Armory and, if so, for what reason was a new floor required?

2. Were tenders called and, if so, who was the successful tenderer?

3. (a) How many tenders were received (b) what was the value of each (c) by whom were they submitted (d) was the lowest tender selected?

4. Could the old floor have been repaired or refinished?

5. What has been done with the wood from the old floor?

Hon. Barney Danson (Minister of National Defence): 1. Yes. The existing floor was beyond economical repair.

2. Tenders were called and the successful tenderer was Ray Brandon Ltd. of Kitchener, Ont.

3. (a) Six.

(b) (c)	Ray Brandon Ltd.	\$36,657
	Steffler Contracting Inc.	37,700
	Peterene General Contracting	39,980
	Mike Weber's Construction Co. Ltd.	40,736
	Triangle Engineering Ltd.	42,642
	Burnley Contracting Co. Ltd.	47,594

(d) Yes.

4. No. The old floor had been patched and re-patched, was badly warped in places and had become hazardous from years of sanding and refinishing.

5. The old flooring was beyond salvage value and therefore scrapped.

SALARY OF PERSONS EMPLOYED BY EACH DEPARTMENT AT DIFFERENT LEVELS AND CATEGORIES

Question No. 1,868—**Mr. Orlikow:**

On April 30, 1978, how many persons were employed with an annual salary of more than \$27,500 in each department at the IS-7 level?

Hon. Robert K. Andras (President of the Treasury Board): On April 30, 1978, the number of persons employed with an annual salary of more than \$27,500 in each department at the IS-7 level is shown on the list below.

Department or Agency	IS-7
AIB	1
CCA	1
DOC	1
DPW	1
DSS	1
CEICD	2
EMR	1
FIN	1
ITC	1
LAB	1
TC	1
NMC	1
DREE	1
SC	1
RC-T	1