BRYDEN REPORT

Question No. 148-Mr. Forrestall:

Is it the intention of the government to release the Bryden Report and (a) if so, on what date (b) if not, for what reason?

Mr. John M. Reid (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): The Bryden Report was commissioned on the understanding that it was to be an internal, confidential document for the use of the Minister through whom the Public Service Staff Relations Board reports to parliament. It is for this reason that the Bryden Report has not been released. When the proposals relating to changes to be made in the Public Service Staff Relations Act are presented to the House, however, the government will then review the situation to determine whether it would be in the public interest to publish the report.

*DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT—"MV ABEGWEIT"

Question No. 184-Mr. MacLean:

- 1. What is the estimated remaining useful life of the MV Abegweit operating on the Borden, Prince Edward Island—Cape Tormentine, New Brunswick route?
- 2. Has the Department of Transport a plan in being to replace this vessel with a new, similar ice-breaking, train-carrying ship and, if so (a) when is it planned that such a replacement should take place (b) has the replacement ship been designed (c) have tenders been called for its construction (d) what is the planned date for completion (e) what will be its carrying capacity for (i) automobiles (ii) railway cars?
- Mr. Joseph-Philippe Guay (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, the answer is as follows: 1. No precise date can be put on the useful life of this vessel.
- 2. Planning is currently underway for the total future needs of the P.E.I. ferry services and the question of replacing the MV Abegweit will be considered within this context.

TRANSPORT—"MV JOHN HAMILTON GRAY" FERRY

Question No. 185-Mr. MacLean:

At what date will the MV John Hamilton Gray be available for full-time, year-round ferry service on the Borden, Prince Edward Island—Cape Tormentine route?

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport): It is anticipated at present that the MV John Hamilton Gray will be required to assist in the summer passenger traffic on the Newfoundland service. Meanwhile, the MV Lucy Maud Montgomery has been moved to the Borden—Tormentine service, and the MV Prince Edward has been added to the Wood Islands—Caribou service, considerably increasing capacity overall.

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, TRADE AND COMMERCE— NUMBER OF PERSONNEL

Question No. 201-Mr. Knight:

- 1. How many full-time employees are there currently in the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce?
- 2. How many of those employees are earning more than \$18,000 annually, distributed according to \$1,000 intervals?

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Hon. Alastair Gillespie (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): 1. Number of full-time employees in the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce as of December 31, 1972, 2,372.

2. Employees earning more than \$18,000 annually, as of December 31, 1972

Number	Salary Interval
37	\$18,001—19,000
56	19,001—20,000
90	20,001—21,000
169	21,001—22,000
22	22,001—23,000
32	23,001—24,000
61	24,001—25,000
56	25,001—26,000
112	26,001—27,000
23	27,001—28,000
19	28,001—29,000
7	29,001—30,000
1	25,000—31,000
8	27,000—31,700
4	28,000—35,000
1	40,000—45,000
Total 698	

INCENTIVE GRANTS TO FALCONBRIDGE NICKEL MINES

Question No. 214-Mr. Rodriguez:

- 1. Have any grants under the Regional Industrial Incentive Act been offered for and accepted by Falconbridge Nickel Mines for its iron ore recovery plant as Falconbridge and, if so, what was the amount and purpose of the grant(s)?
- 2. Has the Falconbridge Nickel Mine Company benefited from rapid write-offs for pollution abatement equipment for its iron ore recovery plant at Falconbridge and, if so, in what amount?
- 3. With respect to the \$4,000,240 grant offered to and accepted by Falconbridge Nickel Mines under the Regional Industrial Incentives Act in January, 1971, for a new facility in Becancour, Quebec, what is the nature of production intended to be undertaken at this plant, specificaly, will nickel be pelletized at the Becancour plant with raw ore being supplied from the Falconbridge area?
- Mr. Marcel Prud'homme (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): 1. The Department of Regional Economic Expansion has not authorized a development incentive under the provisions of the Regional Development Incentives Act to Falconbridge Nickel Mines Ltd. for its facility at Falconbridge, Ontario.

2.N/A.

3. Nickel will not be pelletized at the Bécancour plant. The project consists of a refinery that will, as a part of its operation, treat a portion of the nickel-copper "matte" normally shipped to Norway for refining.