Mr. Charles A. Langlois (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons and to Minister of National Defence): Madam Speaker, question No. 524 will be answered today.

[Text]

Question No. 524-Mr. Taylor:

Does the government have employees in the riding of The Battlefords—Meadow Lake and, if so, (a) how many and what is their primary place of employment (b) are any positions designated as bilingual and, if so, (c) how many vacancies have occurred in both unilingual and bilingual positions and how many of those have been filled?

Hon. Gilles Loiselle (President of the Treasury Board and Minister of State (Finance)): The government has 157 Public Service employees in the riding of The Battlefords-Meadow Lake. Four of these employees are in bilingual positions and 153 are in unilingual English positions. These employees are mainly located in Battleford, North Battleford and Meadow Lake.

In Public Service recruitment in Saskatchewan in 1992, the 36 new recruits were appointed to unilingual positions.

Madam Deputy Speaker: The question mentioned by the parliamentary secretary has been answered. Shall the remaining questions stand?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

[English]

MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

Mr. Charles A. Langlois (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons and to Minister of National Defence): Madam Speaker, I would ask that all notice of motions for the production of papers be allowed to stand.

[Translation]

Mr. Duhamel: Madam Speaker, on February 12, 1993 I gave notice of question No. 472, which reads as follows:

[English]

What is the total number of Aboriginal women employed in a legal capacity within (a) the Department of Justice (b) other federal

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departments (c) crown corporations and governmental agencies and (d) human rights commissions?

According to a Standing Order of this House the government is allowed 45 days to answer such a question. It has now gone beyond 100 days.

[Translation]

Now I am as reasonable and patient as the next person, but quite frankly, this is going a bit far.

[English]

I recall another such question that took 400 days. It was on the spending of GST revenues. I cannot wait that long. We are coming to the end of the session. I am becoming increasingly frustrated because these questions have been asked by constituents of mine and I cannot provide them with an answer. I want to do so and I want to do so in the immediate future.

Can I please have some assurance that these answers will be supplied to me within the next couple of days?

[Translation]

Mr. Langlois: Madam Speaker, I have made a note of the hon. member's concerns, and I will see to it that his question is answered as soon as possible; I hope within a matter of days.

Madam Deputy Speaker: Shall all notices of Motions for the Production of papers stand?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[Translation]

SUPPLY

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Madam Deputy Speaker: Today being the last allotted day in the supply period ending June 23, 1993, the House will, as usual, proceed to consideration of a motion to concur in a supply bill.

In accordance with recent practice is it agreed to have the bill distributed now?

Some hon. members: Agreed.