

Mr. CADIEUX: The high commissioner takes responsibility, but I would not be able to say he gets all the money he really needs.

Mr. KLEIN: How is the Canadian allocation determined? Is it determined on a per capita basis as compared with other countries? How do you determine the amount that Canada is called upon to give?

Mr. CADIEUX: We are one of the developed and more relatively prosperous countries so when appeals are made to us this is a factor; we are expected to give more than certain other countries. Another factor is that some regard is given to what other countries give. In this field you are operating largely on the basis of voluntary contributions, and it is not possible to really have an assessment.

Item agreed to.

Items 100 and 105 agreed to.

On item 107:

107. Purchase of flour to be given to the United Nations relief and works agency for Palestine refugees in the near east, \$500,000.

Mr. REGAN: Mr. Cadieux, is the \$500,000 an annual amount?

Mr. CADIEUX: No. I think this was a special contribution. From 1958 to 1961 we made a contribution in the amount of \$1,500,000 worth of flour. In addition there is a special ad hoc basis regular contribution of \$500,000 in cash. I see Mr. Murray is here. Perhaps he could supplement what I have said in this regard.

Mr. G. S. MURRAY (*Head of United Nations Division, Department of External Affairs*): For some years we have been making a contribution of \$500,000 cash. The \$500,000 cash is a regular contribution to UNRWA. We have gone as high as \$2,500,000 in respect of wheat. That high point was reached during the world refugee year. The wheat is considered as a special contribution in addition to the cash.

Mr. REGAN: What have you done in respect of flour?

Mr. MURRAY: I perhaps should have said wheat flour. There is \$500,000 in cash and in addition a contribution in the form of wheat flour.

Mr. REGAN: Did I understand you to say that wheat flour has been regularly sent out each year for a period of time?

Mr. MURRAY: Yes, sir.

Mr. REGAN: What is the value of the wheat flour?

Mr. MURRAY: In respect of this particular estimate it is \$500,000.

Mr. REGAN: I suppose this is obviously Canadian wheat flour?

Mr. MURRAY: Yes.

Mr. REGAN: Has any effort been made in respect of the shipments of this wheat flour to spread the shipments alternatively in different areas out of the various ports of Canada, or are these special shipments always handled through the same port?

Mr. GELBER: Through the port of Halifax.

Mr. MURRAY: I cannot answer that question, sir.

Our shipments are generally adjusted to meet particular needs. It is needed at certain times and we have to send it really when it is required.

Mr. REGAN: We do have some ports that are open the whole year.

Mr. THOMPSON: There are some open all year on the west coast.

Mr. REGAN: Yes, there are some in this category on the Public coast as well. I only say in this regard, Mr. Cadieux, and I realize that this is an aside, that in matters of shipments of this type the external affairs department