

Hon. Gilles Loiselle (President of the Treasury Board and Minister of State (Finance)): The government considers the ongoing consultative process an important part of the Public Service pension reform process. Very careful consideration is being given to the many representations being made by or on behalf of various groups to the President of the Treasury Board. The association referred to has also provided its views to the Associate Minister of National Defence who has passed them to the President for consideration.

GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE TO THE THIRD REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS

Question No. 421—**Mr. Skelly:**

Did Mr. Bud Neville of J.F. Hickling Management Consultants Ltd. write a background report for the government's response to the Third Report of the Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs and, if so, was Mr. Neville a former employee of the Department of Indian Affairs and, if so, during what time was he employed by the Department?

Hon. Thomas Siddon (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): Mr. Bud Neville was the principal consultant, chosen in consultation with Makivik Corporation, for the background report, prepared by J.F. Hickling Management Consultants Ltd., for the government's response to the Third Report of the Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs. Mr. Neville was employed by the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development between 1957 and 1971.

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[English]

STARRED QUESTIONS

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Mr. Speaker, would you be so kind as to call Starred Question No. 406. Due to the length of the response, I ask that it be printed in *Hansard* as if read.

[Text]

PARTNERSHIP LOSSES

*Question No. 406—**Mr. Breaugh:**

For each year from 1986 to 1989, a) how many taxpayers claimed partnership losses from real estate investments b) what was the total value of partnership losses claimed from real estate investments c)

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what was the cost to the government in terms of tax revenues lost due to partnership losses claimed from real estate investments?

Hon. Michael Holcombe Wilson (Minister of Finance): Data on partnership losses resulting from real estate investments are not readily available as taxpayers are not required to identify the source of partnership losses on their tax forms. While financial statements and tax calculations relating to the partnership must be included in the income tax return of each partner, the sources of partnership income/losses are not transcribed by Revenue Canada, Taxation. Consequently, answers to the questions are not available.

[English]

Mr. Cooper: I ask that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

Mr. Speaker: Shall the remaining questions stand?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

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MOTION TO ADJOURN UNDER S. O. 52

BALTIC STATES

Mr. Jesse Flis (Parkdale—High Park): Mr. Speaker, I rise under an application pursuant to Standing Order 52, seconded by my colleague from LaSalle—Émard, to ask leave to adjourn the House for the purpose of discussing a specific and important matter requiring urgent consideration, namely, the turmoil in the Baltic states.

Although the debate over the next few days should focus on the gulf situation, we cannot neglect the seriousness of recent events in the Baltic states and their implications on world peace.

My request is based on the need to ascertain Canada's response to the recommendation that the matter be referred to the United Nations Security Council and dealt with in the context of an emergency world conference or some other appropriate forum.

Mr. David Kilgour (Edmonton Southeast): Mr. Speaker, I agree completely with what the member for Parkdale—High Park has said. There are a couple of other important points to be made.

There are seven Canadians registered as being in Lithuania, six in Latvia, and two in Estonia.