

No. 546—*Mr. Caouette*

1. Do Canadian National Railways, Air Canada, CBC, Polymer Corporation Limited, Eldorado Mining and Refining Limited, Canadian Overseas Telecommunication Corporation have a purchasing policy which favours Canadian enterprises?

2. If they have such a policy of what does it consist?

3. If they do not have such a policy, does the government intend to issue directives, so that State-owned enterprises give preference to Canadian enterprises?

Mr. Béchard, Parliamentary Secretary to the Secretary of State, presented,
—Returns to the foregoing Orders.

No. 553—*Mr. Barnett*

1. Does the federal government operate, either directly or indirectly through any of its agencies, ferries or other types of vessels on the Atlantic Coasts of Canada for the public carriage of passengers, freight and motor vehicles?

2. If so, what vessels between what ports carry motor vehicles on a "roll-on, roll-off" arrangement?

3. If operating agencies of the federal government are involved in any of the above specified services, what are they and what runs do they operate?

4. Is any operating deficit incurred in the operation of any such vessels or runs?

5. If so, through what channel is any such operating deficit met and what amounts, by way of subsidy or otherwise, have been paid for each vessel or service involved during each of the last five fiscal years (including an estimate for the current fiscal year)?

No. 554—*Mr. Barnett*

1. Does Canadian National Railways operate water transportation services in the coastal trade on the Atlantic Coasts of Canada, either directly or through subsidiary companies?

2. If so, between what ports and on what runs, listed by its various schedules, does the C.N.R., or each and all of its subsidiaries operate such services?

3. Which, if any, of such services carry (a) passengers (b) general cargo (c) motor vehicles?

4. Do any of the vessels engaged in any such services carry motor vehicles on a "roll-on, roll-off" basis and, if so, between what ports?

5. Do any of the vessels engaged in such services receive a federal operating subsidy either directly or indirectly?

6. If so, through what agency is such subsidy paid for each vessel or service involved?

7. For each of the last five fiscal years (including an estimate for the current fiscal year) what was the total amount of the operating subsidy paid for each vessel or service involved?