

*Order Paper Questions*  
**VETERANS AFFAIRS**

MOTION FOR CONCURRENCE IN SEVENTH REPORT OF  
 STANDING COMMITTEE

**Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):**

That the seventh report of the Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs, presented to the House on Thursday, June 12, 1975, be concurred in.

**Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** Mr. Speaker, on a point of order, I ask that my motion which appears under Motions stand once again today and also tomorrow, but I give notice that I intend to move it on Thursday unless the government takes action to make this unnecessary.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

Motion stands.

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**QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER**

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

**Mr. J.-J. Blais (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: 3,138, 3,238, 3,251, 3,291, 3,300, 3,482, 3,491, 3,510, 3,522, 3,562, 3,626 and 3,632.

[Text]

NATIONAL DEFENCE—CIVILIAN PERSONNEL—TERMINATION  
 OF SERVICE

**Question No. 3,138—Mr. McKinnon:**

How many civilian personnel, in addition to civilian communicators have had their services terminated, or have been given notice of termination as a fiscal economy by the Department of National Defence in the period April 1, 1975 to October 1, 1975?

**Hon. James Richardson (Minister of National Defence):** In addition to five communicators, 169 civilian personnel in other classifications have been issued with a notice of termination as a fiscal economy between April 1 and October 1, 1975. Seventy-three of these employees have either been placed in alternate employment in the Public Service, have proceeded on superannuation or have accepted employment outside the Public Service. Efforts to place the other employees scheduled for lay-off in alternate employment will be continued.

COST OF MILITARY SALES PROMOTION

**Question No. 3,238—Mr. Macquarrie:**

1. On what date was the International Defence Programs Branch of the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce established?

2. What is the number of full-time employees in the Branch?

3. How many personnel of the Branch or of other departments are stationed abroad for the purpose of aiding sales of Canadian military equipment?

4. What is the estimated cost to the government in the promotion of sales of military equipment referred to in the answer to Question No. 2,394?

[Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale).]

**Mr. Marcel Roy (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce):** 1. March 28, 1969.

2. Twenty-one officers and nine support staff as of October 15, 1975.

3. No Defence Programs Branch personnel are now stationed abroad. A Departmental organization change in 1974 transferred the functions and responsibilities formerly carried out by Branch officers abroad to the Trade Commissioner Service. Branch personnel stationed abroad were integrated into and became part of the Trade Commissioner Service. Trade Commissioners abroad aid in the sale of Canadian military equipment in the same manner as they aid in the sale of any other Canadian export commodity.

4. One of the functions of the Defence Programs Branch in carrying out the Departmental Trade/Industrial Program is to assist in the promotion of export sales of defence and defence related equipment. In addition, the Branch provides Headquarters and administrative staff support for Canadian participation in the defence industrial aspects of Canada's collective defence research, development and production arrangements which include NATO RDP activities, Canada/U.S. Development and Production Sharing activities and activities related to bilateral agreements between Canada and United Kingdom, France, Germany, Netherlands, Italy and Sweden and such other agreements as might be negotiated from time to time. The Branch formerly maintained officers at selected posts abroad to assist in these functions. It is, however, not possible to estimate with any degree of accuracy, that portion of Branch resources which would have been devoted solely to the promotion of sales of military equipment which would be included in export sales referred to in the reply to Question 2394.

SENIOR CITIZENS HOUSING—LAC-ETCHEMIN, QUEBEC

**Question No. 3,251—Mr. Lambert (Bellechasse):**

Has Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation granted a loan to the Municipality of Lac-Etchemin, Quebec, or to its Housing Corporation for the building of low cost housing for the retired and, if so (a) what was the amount involved (b) at what rate of interest (c) for how long (d) under what terms of reimbursement?

**Hon. Barney Danson (Minister of State for Urban Affairs):** I am advised that the following applies with respect to Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation: In December 1973, Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation approved a loan which Quebec Housing Corporation was proposing to make to the Municipal Housing Bureau of Lac-Etchemin, to finance the construction of a housing project for senior citizens. (a) The amount of the loan approved is \$384,400; (b) The interest rate is 8 per cent, calculated half-yearly, not in advance; (c) The term of the loan is 50 years; (d) Quebec Housing Corporation makes annual payments of principal and interest, under the above terms, on its loan from CMHC. The Municipal Housing Bureau makes monthly payments of principal and interest, under the above terms, on its loan from Quebec Housing Corporation.