

*Order Paper Questions***PETITION**

MR. TAYLOR—REQUEST FOR PASSAGE OF BILL C-671

Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River): Madam Speaker, I am herewith presenting a petition signed by another 461 Canadian citizens asking for the consideration of Bill C-671 and the passing of same in order that Clifford Robert Olson may secure his just due and be executed. When we did have capital punishment in this country, there was provision made for exceptions by a court order not to execute a person. Now that we do not have capital punishment in Canada, there should also be provision made for the execution of persons who have deliberately planned and murdered a number of people, as in the case of Clifford Robert Olson.

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT, 1971 (NO. 3)

MEASURE TO AMEND

Hon. Lloyd Axworthy (Minister of Employment and Immigration) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-156, an Act to amend the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1971 (No. 3).

Motion agreed to, Bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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CANADIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE ACT

MEASURE TO ESTABLISH

Hon. Bob Kaplan (Solicitor General of Canada) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-157, an Act to establish the Canadian Security Intelligence Service, to enact an Act respecting enforcement in relation to certain security and related offences and to amend certain Acts in consequence thereof or in relation thereto.

Motion agreed to, Bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 4,715, 4,740, 4,766, 4771 and 4,784.

[Text]

MR. KENNETH GARNER

Question No. 4,715—**Mrs. Cossitt:**

1. Did Mr. Kenneth Garner of Vancouver, British Columbia try to question the Prime Minister at the University of British Columbia on December 2, 1982

and was he prevented from doing so by plainclothesmen who evicted him from the building?

2. (a) Did the RCMP visit Mr. Garner at his home on January 21, 1983 (b) did they advise him at that time that, if he tried to question the Prime Minister again, he would be arrested for creating a disturbance and, if so, what were all the reasons for the RCMP taking such action?

3. Did the Solicitor General advise the RCMP officers to take such action and, if not, what were the names and job designations of all those persons who did advise them?

4. Is it the policy of the Solicitor General to prevent Canadians from exercising their right to freedom of speech and, if so, what are all the reasons for this policy?

Hon. Bob Kaplan (Solicitor General of Canada): In so far as the Royal Canadian Mounted Police is concerned:

1. On December 2, 1982, Mr. Kenneth Garner of Vancouver, British Columbia shouted an obscene rhetorical question at the Prime Minister. Mr. Garner was subsequently removed from the building by members of the Security Detail and University staff.

2. (a) Yes, (b) no. Mr. Garner was advised that his actions on December 2, 1982 may have constituted an offence under the Criminal Code, specifically causing a disturbance by swearing in a public place. It was clearly explained to him that it was his democratic right to question the Prime Minister; however, he would not be permitted to break the law in doing so.

3. No. At the direction of Sgt. B. Ross the NCO i/c Vancouver VIP Security Section, Corporals Hall and Beyeler visited Mr. Garner to determine whether he was a physical threat to the Prime Minister.

4. No.

DND BOOKLET ON DEFENCE ESTIMATESQuestion No. 4,740—**Mr. Stewart:**

1. Did the Department of National Defence produce a green covered booklet entitled "Minister's Statement, Defence Estimates, 1983/84, House of Commons Standing Committee on External Affairs and National Defence"?

2. Did the Minister deliver the statement to the Committee on (a) March 15, 1983, as dated on page 4 of the booklet (b) any other date and, if not, for what reason, if any, was the booklet produced?

3. How many (a) English (b) French copies of the booklet were printed and to whom are the booklets to be distributed?

4. What was the total cost of the booklet, including (a) production (b) printing (c) distribution?

Hon. J. Gilles Lamontagne (Minister of National Defence):
1. Yes.

2. (a) No. (b) The booklet was signed on March 15, 1983 to permit distribution on March 16 to members of the Standing Committee on External Affairs and National Defence for review prior to formal presentation by the Minister on March 17. The booklet was produced in response to public interest in