

Canadian Unity

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COST OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Question No. 360—**Mr. Orlikow:**

What is the approximate total cost, at the present time, of educating the following qualified persons up to (i) bachelor's (ii) master's, and (iii) doctor's levels (a) engineers (b) mathematicians (c) physicists (d) scientists (e) physicians and surgeons?

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State): At present no reliable figures are available. A cost study in Canadian universities and colleges is presently being done by the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada with financial support from my department. Preliminary results of this study should provide reasonable accurate information by the summer of 1968.

QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER
FOR RETURN

NATIONAL CAPITAL BOUNDARIES

Question No. 336—**Mr. Caouette:**

As of July 1, 1967, what were the exact boundaries of the national capital, as opposed to the "national capital region"?

Return tabled.

● (2:40 p.m.)

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CANADIAN CONFEDERATION

CANADIAN UNITY—MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT UNDER STANDING ORDER 26

Mr. Réal Caouette (Villeneuve): Mr. Speaker, I ask leave, seconded by the hon. member for Roberval (Mr. Gauthier), to move the adjournment of the house under standing order 26 for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely: should our country, Canada, remain a single country or should it be partitioned to please the destructive elements that want to destroy the basis of national unity, and also to establish clearly the definition of one nation or two nations in Canada.

Mr. Speaker: Would the hon. member for Villeneuve be kind enough to explain to the house the urgency of debate.

Mr. Caouette: Mr. Speaker, as things are going in Canada, I think it is more urgent to debate our very existence as a country or as a nation, than to deal with wheat commitments or agreements with the United States or other countries, or even housing, because if our country is on the brink of anarchy or revolution, it is obvious that neither wheat nor housing will have much importance in our country.

Mr. Speaker, the very existence of our sovereign country is at stake. The confusion now prevailing everywhere in Canada in that regard must be cleared up. And it is here, in the Canadian parliament, that it must be discussed. I think that we are at least two years late here in the federal parliament to debate that question. But it is better late than never. The time has come, I think, as we say in good French, to take the bull by the horns. It is not too late yet and we must not be afraid to state that we are in Canada.

Mr. Speaker, as I just said, the Canadian parliament is at least two years late. It is a matter of restoring order in that tower of Babel.

Some of our people are in favour of the associated states, others prefer independence and sheer separatism; we have some in favour of the sovereign state within a Canadian union—

Mr. Speaker: Order. I feel I must interrupt the hon. member to remind him, as I did yesterday when a similar motion was put, as well as the day before yesterday when another motion, of the same kind was introduced, that under the provisions of standing order 26, the mover and those who speak on that motion must restrict themselves to the matter of the urgency of debate. The point is to convince the Speaker, if possible, that the debate should be held today rather than later this week, next week or at the earliest opportunity given to the house to discuss that problem. I would invite the hon. member to restrict himself to that point.

Mr. Caouette: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is not a matter that concerns the future. Indeed it does, but this question should have been settled, cleared up and discussed two years ago here in parliament, in order to know where we stand.

It is urgent to know whether Canada is made up of one or two nations. It is urgent that we know whether we should choose between a republic, Canada as it is at present or an improved Canada. That is why we must