

3. Yes.

- (a) The president of the corporation.
 (b) The total amount was of \$94.79 paid for by the corporation.

4. (i) No.

(ii) Not relevant.

5. En route to Ottawa, the president of the corporation had an interview with CBC in Toronto and also met with one customer of the corporation.

Voyageur Travel (Airfare)	\$ 105.85
Victoria Inn (Lodging)	111.00
Taxi Fares (a) To Ottawa Airport	14.00
(b) To and from TV studio in Toronto	30.00
(c) Transit	2.80
	\$ 263.65
Hertz Canada Ltd. (Toronto/Stratford/London/Toronto)	94.79
	\$ 358.44

Question No. 1,589—Mr. Cossitt:

Is membership in "Le Cercle Universitaire d'Ottawa", 453 Laurier Avenue East, paid by Crown Assets Disposal Corporation or any other government source for Madam Claudette Nadeau, President and General Manager of Crown Assets Disposal Corporation and, if so (a) is the membership for \$250 a year (b) what are all the reasons that this is paid from government funds (c) on what date did such payments begin, how many have been made and on what dates?

Hon. J.-J. Blais (Minister of Supply and Services): I am informed by Crown Assets Disposal Corporation as follows: yes, by the corporation.

- (a) Yes.
 (b) The membership is considered to be a legitimate business expense in the interest of the corporation's activities.
 (c) November 30, 1977. Four.
 November 30, 1977 (*prorata*).
 February 15, 1978.
 December 15, 1978.
 January 9, 1980.

LE CERCLE UNIVERSITAIRE D'OTTAWA MEMBERSHIP

Question No. 1,590—Mr. Cossitt:

Is membership in "Le Cercle Universitaire d'Ottawa", 453 Laurier Avenue East, paid by the Royal Canadian Mint or any other government source for Mr. Yvon Gariépy, Master of the Royal Canadian Mint and, if so (a) is the membership \$250 a year (b) what are all the reasons that this is paid from government funds (c) on what date did such payments begin, how many have been made and on what dates?

Hon. J.-J. Blais (Minister of Supply and Services): I am informed by the Royal Canadian Mint as follows:

The membership to the Cercle is paid by the Royal Canadian Mint.

- (a) Yes, the amount is \$250 a year.

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- (b) The membership is considered to be a legitimate business expense in the interest of the corporation's activities.
 (c) The membership has been paid on a yearly basis since 1976.

1976: \$150 for 9 months, June 1, 1976

1977: \$200, December 16, 1976, and \$50, May 12, 1977

1978: \$250, January 4, 1978

1979: \$250, December 12, 1978

1980: \$250, January 3, 1980.

CROWN ASSETS DISPOSAL CORPORATION

Question No. 1,592—Mr. Cossitt:

At any time since questions were placed on the Order Paper by the hon. Member for Leeds-Grenville concerning Madam Claudette Nadeau of Crown Assets Disposal Corporation, have auditors or other persons searched files in the corporation looking for evidence of certain expenditures and payments made on behalf of Madam Nadeau, or Yvon Gariépy, Master of the Royal Canadian Mint and, if so (a) has it been found that any files are missing and, if so, what is a list of all such items (b) on whose instructions was a search made?

Hon. J.-J. Blais (Minister of Supply and Services): I am informed by Crown Assets Disposal Corporation as follows: the field audit examination of the corporation's records by the Auditor General was completed on July 15, 1980. Since then no auditors or external persons have searched corporation files. However, it is common internal practice to review financial documentation including expenditures for budget analysis purposes and for replies to parliamentary inquiries.

- (a) (i) No file has been reported missing.
 (ii) Not applicable.
 (b) If any such search is to occur, it is the vice-president, finance and administration who authorizes it as per normal procedure.

Question No. 1,593—Mr. Cossitt:

1. Is Mr. J. M. Bertrand employed by Crown Assets Disposal Corporation and, if so (a) in what capacity and what are his duties (b) was he at any time chief of finance (c) was he on sick leave at any time within the past two years and, if so, for how long and was or was not the time involved approximately one month?

2. On what date did Mr. Bertrand return to work and, on that date, did he find on his return that his position as chief of finance was occupied by another person and, if so (a) was he advised of this before his return and, if not, for what reason (b) who occupies the position at present or the equivalent thereof (c) was the present appointment made by or on the recommendation of Madam Claudette Nadeau (d) what are all the details why such a step was taken?

3. Are senior appointments in the corporation made by Madam Nadeau and, if so, under what authority?

Hon. J.-J. Blais (Minister of Supply and Services): I am informed by Crown Assets Disposal Corporation as follows:

1. Yes.
 (a) Accountant in a probationary capacity.