

The geographical location and the type of construction of the William Head institution lends itself to the execution of this plan. The conversion from minimum security to medium security will consist in the installation of adequate physical security facilities, such as security perimeter fences and windows, the construction of a gate-house and the raising of an observation post. It is also intended to increase the number of correctional officers by approximately 25. Technical scanning equipment and patrol vehicles, as well as a radio communications system, will also be made available. The necessary upgrading of physical security arrangements, the procurement of technical equipment and the staffing will be completed before any inmate of medium security degree is transferred to the William Head institution.

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There will be no increase in the number of inmates accommodated at that institution. The inmates to be transferred to the William Head institution will be of the medium security category, selected on the basis of their willingness and ability to participate in the rehabilitation programs to be developed, and the selection will be in accordance with established criteria specific to the William Head institution.

Finally, may I say in reply to the hon. member, that we have no evidence that the Canadian penitentiary service made any commitment that the William Head institution would remain a minimum security institution. There are no formal documents or informal evidence to this effect in our files. If the hon. member, on behalf of his constituents, has such evidence we would be pleased to examine the question.

Motion agreed to and the House adjourned at 10.28 p.m.