

Order Paper Questions

has a duty to inform the public of its proposals before they have been decided by Parliament. This principle recognizes that without factual information about the government's proposals, and the issues being addressed, the public does not have the opportunity to make its views fully known to the legislators, based on good information."

2. No. See part 1 above.

UNIDENTIFIED MISSING AIRCRAFT

Question No. 3,333—Mr. Skelly:

Did searchers locate an unidentified missing aircraft at the bottom of Nowich Inlet on the central coast of British Columbia last summer while searching for an aircraft missing on a flight from Klemtu to Bella Bella and, if so, has the Department of Transport taken action to recover and identify the aircraft and its occupants at Nowich Inlet and what was such action?

Mr. Robert Bockstael (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): Transport Canada advises as follows:

A search and rescue report received from the Rescue and Co-ordination Centre Maritime Forces Pacific makes no mention of locating an unidentified aircraft at the bottom of Nowich Inlet, B.C. The report does state "sonar scan indicated an angular metallic object about 25 feet long protruding 13 feet from the floor of Nowich Inlet in the vicinity of an oil slick."

Since no aircraft has been reported missing, Transport Canada has no mandate to pursue this matter further.

PURCHASE OF CARS

Question No. 3,519—Mr. Cossitt:

1. Did the Department of Supply and Services recently award a contract for the purchase of automobiles for the Department of Transport to an automobile dealer in Brockville in the constituency of Leeds-Grenville in the amount of \$24,642 and, if so, on what date were tenders called?

2. (a) Were the tenders called by public advertisement and, if so, what were the names of those who tendered and the amount of each bid (b) were the tenders invited and, if so, what were the names of those invited, the names of those who submitted tenders and what was the amount of each bid?

3. What were the complete details of the vehicles required and what was the breakdown of all tenders for each vehicle?

Hon. J.-J. Blais (Minister of Supply and Services): 1. Yes, DSS awarded a contract in the amount of \$24,642 for the Department of Transport to Ford on behalf of Braden Ford Sales, Brockville, Ontario.

2. (a) No.

(b) In conformity to standard procedure, bids were requested from American Motors Canada Inc., Chrysler Canada Ltd., Ford Motor Co. of Canada Ltd. and General Motors Products of Canada Ltd., each of whom are responsible for obtaining prices from their local dealers and submitting an offer to the Department of Supply and Services. These offers are assessed and the contract is awarded to the lowest responsive bidder. For this requirement Ford submitted the lowest bid on behalf of Braden Ford Sales, Brockville, Ont. in the amount of \$8,214 each. General Motors submitted the only other bid of

\$8,468.45 each on behalf of Bob Crawford Chevrolet and Oldsmobile Ltd.

3. The requirement was for three intermediate size six cylinder, four-door stationwagons, with heavy duty battery, AM radio, full size spare tire and rim and Class I trailer towing package.

NUMISMATIC COIN SALES OUTSIDE CANADA

Question No. 3,534—Mr. Cossitt:

At any time in recent years, did the Royal Canadian Mint sell numismatic coins outside Canada at lower prices than the prices paid for the same items inside Canada and, if so (a) what were all the details, including the names of the agents acting for the Mint (b) what time periods were involved (c) what were all the reasons for such action (d) who authorized the practice and was Mr. Yvon Gariepy, former Master of the Mint, involved in any way (e) did this practice cease and, if so, on what date?

Hon. J.-J. Blais (Minister of Supply and Services): I am informed by the Royal Canadian Mint as follows: No.

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[English]

QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, if question No. 3,491 could be made an order for return, this return would be tabled immediately.

[Translation]

Madam Speaker: The questions enumerated by the Parliamentary Secretary have been answered. Is it the pleasure of the House to have question No. 3,491 made an order for return?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[Text]

INTEREST PAID ON TRUST ACCOUNTS

Question No. 3,491—Mr. Schellenberger:

1. Does the interest paid on trust accounts relate to the Bank of Canada rate and (a) if so, how (b) if not, upon which public available instrument is it based and how?

2. What is the balance in the account as of April 1, 1981 for the (a) Montana Band in the district of Edmonton/Hobbema in the Alberta region (b) Saddle Lake Tribal Administration in the Alberta region (c) Sarcee Band in the district of Blackfoot/Stoney in the Alberta region (d) Stoney Tribal Association in the Alberta region (e) Whitefish Lake #41 Band in the district of Lesser Slave Lake in the Alberta region (f) Acadia Band in the district of Nova Scotia in the Atlantic region (g) Bear River Band in the district of Nova Scotia in the Atlantic region (h) Pictou Landing Band in the district of Nova Scotia in the Atlantic region (i) Red Bank Band in the district of New Brunswick in the Atlantic region (j) Sydney Band in the district of Nova Scotia in the Atlantic region (k) Tobique Band in the district of New Brunswick in the Atlantic region (l) Truro Band in the district of Nova Scotia in the Atlantic region (m) Alkali Lake Band in the district of Williams Lake in the British Columbia region (n) Bella Coola Band in the district of Vancouver in the British Columbia region (o) Coldwater Band in the district of Central Vancouver in the British Columbia region (p) Cowichan Band in the district of Nanaimo in the British Columbia