

Order Paper Questions

were provided May 1, 1973. Hereunder is a comparison between the former and present accommodation.

Former accommodation	Present accommodation
Work Space 136'	Work Space 665'
Public Lobby 55'	Public Lobby 92'
Bathroom—none	Bathroom 42'
Mail Lobby—none	Mail Lobby 81'
Lock Boxes—none	Lock Boxes 168'
Night Lobby—none	Night Lobby 92'
	Storage Space 30'

2. The rental rate being paid is in line with recent lease arrangements in the area.

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RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CONTRACTS

Question No. 3,081—**Mr. Beatty**:

1. With reference to the contracts described in the twenty-eight Research and Development bulletins published up to and including the July 1975 issue let by the Department of Supply and Services, by department (a) what is the total value of the contracts (b) how many were publicly advertised prior to being awarded (c) what were their numbers and descriptions (d) what was their total value?

2. Of the contracts that were advertised before being awarded (a) how many had more than one bid submitted (b) what were their numbers and descriptions (c) what was their total value?

3. Of the contracts for which more than one bid was submitted (a) which contracts were awarded to anyone other than the lowest bidder (b) in each case (i) what were the bids submitted (ii) by whom (iii) for what reason was the contract not awarded to the lowest bidder?

4. Of the persons or organizations awarded contracts (a) what are the names of any who were previous employees of the government (b) on what dates and for whom did they work (c) what previous work have they done on contract for the government (d) at what cost to the taxpayer were the contracts let?

5. What are the names of contractors or principal investigators who have been awarded more than one contract and, in each case, what were the (a) numbers (b) descriptions (c) values (d) client departments?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Minister of Supply and Services): The question requires considerable research and the information will be communicated to the hon. member at a later date.

NUMBER OF QUEBEC FIRMS GIVEN INCENTIVE GRANTS

Question No. 3,203—**Mr. Howie**:

How many firms in Quebec were given incentive grants by DREE from April 1, 1973 to September 30, 1975 and how many are not currently operating?

Hon. Marcel Lessard (Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): The answer for the Department of Regional Economic Expansion is as follows: 716 firms in Quebec were given incentive grants from April 1, 1973 to September 30, 1975, eight of which are not currently operating.

DREE—QUEBEC FIRMS IN RECEIPT OF GUARANTEED LOANS

Question No. 3,208—**Mr. Howie**:

How many firms in Quebec had loans guaranteed by DREE from April 1, 1973 to September 30, 1975 (a) what was the total amount of the guarantees (b) how many of the firms are not currently operating (c) what was the total amount of guarantees to the firms not currently operating?

[Mr. Sharp.]

Hon. Marcel Lessard (Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): The answer for the Department of Regional Economic Expansion is as follows: seven firms; (a) \$3,450,000; (b) one firm; (c) \$140,000.

PAYMENT OF RETAINER TO HANGMAN

Question No. 3,306—**Mr. Nystrom**:

Does the government pay a retainer to Canada's hangman and, if so, how much has been paid for each fiscal year 1962-63 to date?

Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Justice): No.

RENOVATIONS TO PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

Question No. 3,341—**Mr. Coates**:

On how many occasions since 1968 has the Prime Minister had any of the offices and suites provided to him at public expense (a) renovated (b) refurbished and, in each case, what was the cost?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council): In 1971. See reply to the hon. Member's questions 126 (House of Commons Debates of March 29, 1972) and 2,584 (House of Commons Debates of December 19, 1973).

MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

[Translation]

Mr. J.-J. Blais (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, notices of motions for the production of papers Nos. 56, 58, 60, 61 and 62 are acceptable to the government subject to the usual reservations with regard to confidential documents and the authorization of public authorities concerned.

I ask, Mr. Speaker, that the other notices of motions be allowed to stand.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

INCOME TAX ACT

REMOVAL OF PROVISION ALLOWING DEDUCTION OF EXPENSES FOR ADVERTISING IN NON-CANADIAN PERIODICALS

The House resumed, from Wednesday, June 4, consideration of the motion of Mr. Sharp (for the Minister of Finance) that Bill C-58, to amend the Income Tax Act, be read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Broadcasting, Films and Assistance to the Arts.

Mr. Stan Darling (Parry Sound-Muskoka): Mr. Speaker, when this House adjourned the debate on Bill C-58 last June 4, I was in the process of putting to hon. members