

Order Paper Questions

withholding unanimous consent is much more complex than meets the naked eye.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

CANADA BROADCASTING CORPORATION**TABLING OF TECHNICAL AND COST PROFILE OF TELEVISION COVERAGE OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS**

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I should like to table, under the provisions of Standing Order 41(2), a technical and cost profile of television coverage of parliamentary proceedings prepared by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

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QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. J.-J. Blais (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: 4,615, 5,258, 5,276, 5,306, 5,307, 5,373, 5,497 and 5,522.

[Text]

GRANTS PROVIDED BY MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL TO PROVINCE OF MANITOBA**Question No. 4,615—Mr. Whiteway:**

1. For the years (a) 1973-74 (b) 1974-75 (c) 1975-76 were grants provided to the Province of Manitoba by the (i) Medical Research Council for medical research (ii) National Research Council for physical sciences research (iii) Canada Council for research in humanities and social sciences and, if so, in each case, in what amounts?

2. For the year 1974-75 how many persons were employed in medical research in the Province of Manitoba and, of these, how many will have their jobs terminated due to the recent freeze in funds provided by the Medical Research Council?

3. For the year 1974-75, were projects funded by the Medical Research Council in Manitoba and, if so (a) what were they (b) how many, if any, such projects will be affected due to the recent freeze in grants provided by the Medical Research Council?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Medical Research Council, the National Research Council and the Canada Council as follows: 1. (i)* \$2,395,442; \$2,253,839; \$2,282,664. (ii) 1973-74, \$2,261,130; 1974-75, \$2,323,537; 1975-76 (Forecast), \$2,628,863. (iii) No grants were provided.

*NOTE: Figures refer to grants provided to researchers in the Province of Manitoba.

2. Information not available.

3. Yes; (a) In 1974-75 the Medical Research Council supported 90 projects, 1 MRC Group and 2 special projects, and provided general research grants to the deans of the

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schools of medicine, dentistry and pharmacy, and 7 grants for the maintenance of research equipment. Details of the projects supported in 1974-75 are recorded in the Report of the President of the Medical Research Council for 1974-75, tabled in the House on June 17, 1975; (b) Thirty-nine of those projects have been completed or terminated during the intervening period. Of those which are still continuing in 1976-77, 32 projects and the MRC Group have been subject to a 3 per cent reduction in approved operating funds for 1976-77, and the general research grants have been reduced by one-third for the year 1976-77. Seven projects which would normally have been assured of support for the full year 1976-77 will receive only 8 months support and 2 additional ones will receive 3 months rather than 12 months support. These figures, of course, do not take account of additional funds of \$2 million recently made available to the Medical Research Council. It is expected that the decision as to the disposition of these extra funds will be made by Council at its meeting of June 8-11, 1976.

FARM IMPROVEMENT LOANS PROGRAMME—LOANS TO FARMERS IN TÉMISCAMINGUE CONSTITUENCY**Question No. 5,258—Mr. Caouette (Témiscamingue):**

1. Since the implementation of the Farm Improvement Loans Programme, what was the total amount of loans granted to the farmers in the Constituency of Témiscamingue?

2. (a) How many farmers in the Constituency made applications for such loans (b) how many received such a loan (c) what are their addresses?

3. For each loan, what was (a) the name of the lending institution (b) the rate of interest charged (c) the period for repayment?

Mr. Jacques-L. Trudel (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Finance): Under the Farm Improvement Loans Programme the government provides guarantees for loans made at the discretion of private lenders. Statistics concerning such loan guarantees are not maintained on a constituency basis.

OUTFITTING OF SENIOR OFFICIALS' OFFICES WITH APPLIANCES**Question No. 5,276—Mr. Coates:**

1. Since the present Deputy Minister of Health was appointed, what major appliances have been installed in his office and at what cost?

2. Are there any government regulations issued by Treasury Board or the Department of Public Works covering the outfitting of senior officials' offices with appliances such as stoves, refrigerators, dishwashers, and the like and, if so, what is the general purport of such regulations?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Departments of National Health and Welfare, Public Works and Treasury Board as follows: 1. No major appliances have been installed in the Deputy Minister of Health's office. However, an amount of \$1,006 was spent to buy a dishwasher, refrigerator and stove when the Health side of the Department moved to new quarters. These appliances are adjacent to the Executive Conference Room and are at the disposal of Departmental Officers utilizing the Conference Room.