

2. (a) What has been the Company policy in terms of a separation allowance for those retired early (b) has the policy been consistently applies to all employees?

3. (a) Have there been special arrangements made in certain cases (b) are there still some employees on leave of absence with pay who were retired early in 1970 and 1971?

**Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport):** Air Canada management advises as follows: 1. Approximately 130.

2. (a) When mutually agreeable to both the employee and the Corporation, a separation allowance is offered based on age, length of service and management level. (b) Yes.

3. (a) No; (b) Information concerning specific employees must be regarded as an internal management matter.

#### AIR CANADA—PASSENGER TRAVEL RATES

Question No. 1,193—**Mr. Haliburton:**

What are the passenger travel rates that Air Canada is charging on a mileage basis (a) within the Province of Nova Scotia (b) within the Maritime Region (c) between points in the Maritime Region and points in the Central Region (d) between points within the Province of Ontario (e) between points in the Central Region and points in the Western Region (f) between points within the Western Region (g) between Toronto and Montreal?

**Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport):** 1. Air Canada management advises: The current domestic fares structure for normal or regular fares is based on the following formula: Routes of 1,100 Miles or Less; \$12 plus 5.8 cents per mile; Routes of Over 1,100 Miles; \$13.50 plus 6.0 cents per mile for the first 500 miles; \$13.50 plus 5.5 cents per mile for the next 500 miles; \$13.50 plus 5.0 cents per mile for the next 500 miles; \$13.50 plus 4.5 cents per mile for the remaining miles.

Selecting points at random in the areas requested, this formula produces the following fares and rates per mile:

	Mileage	Economy Fare	Rate per Mile
(a) Halifax-Yarmouth	222	\$ 20.00	9.00¢
(b) St. John's, Nfld.- St. John, N.B.	666	51.00	7.65¢
(c) Halifax-Toronto	800	58.00	7.25¢
(d) London, Ont.-Sudbury	299	29.00	9.69¢
(e) Calgary-Toronto	1,670	104.00	6.22¢
(f) Winnipeg-Vancouver	1,158	79.00	6.82¢
(g) Montreal-Toronto	315	30.00	9.52¢

The current structure also provides for a number of discounts, as follows: 8/30 Day Excursion available October 1-May 30 on routes over 700 miles, blacked out Fridays and Sundays between 3 and 9 p.m., at 30 per cent discount; Weekend Fare one way or return available all year, midnight Friday to 3 p.m. Sunday at 30 per cent discount; Family Plan 25 per cent discount for spouse, 33½ per cent discount for additional dependents and 50 per cent discount for children. Available all year except on Fridays and Sundays; Senior Citizen available all year except

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Fridays and Sundays at 20 per cent discount; Youth Stand-by available all year except Fridays and Sundays at 40 per cent discount; Group Fare for 15 persons or more available all year except Fridays and Sundays 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. at 20 per cent discount.

#### OPERATION SEALIFT

Question No. 1,983—**Mr. Forrestall:**

1. When the bids are received for the 1973 contracts for hauling Arctic cargo by water, operation Sealift, will special preference be made in awarding the contracts on the basis of ownership of Canadian-owned and registered ships and, if not, for what reason?

2. Will such ships be required to have existing Canadian registry at the time of the contract being made?

3. Will the government permit foreign registered ships to change their registry to obtain contracts?

**Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport):** 1. Department of Transport tender specifications and contracts for the 1973 sealift requires the contractor(s) to guarantee that all ships used to haul the Arctic cargo will be of Canadian registry and if not British built, then fully duty paid.

2. No, but ships must be in Canadian registry prior to acceptance for loading.

3. Yes, providing they meet the requirements of the Canada Shipping Act and the Coasting Trade Regulations.

#### OFY—APPLICATION FOR GRANT BY GANANOQUE COMMUNITY PARK

Question No. 2,013—**Mr. Cossitt:**

1. On what date was an application for an Opportunities for Youth grant received bearing file number 31081833 and in the name of Gananoque Community Park?

2. Was this application rejected and, if so, for what reason was rejection made?

**Hon. James Hugh Faulkner (Secretary of State):** 1. Opportunities for Youth application, "Gananoque Community Park", No. 31081833, was received March 3, 1973.

2. The project was rejected for the following reasons: There was no satisfactory evidence to indicate that project members possessed the necessary skill and experience relating to the project's proposed activities, and little evidence was produced of their specific community support or available skilled expertise.

#### CORPORATIONS AND LABOUR UNIONS RETURNS ACT

Question No. 2,058—**Mr. Hellyer:**

1. Was an agreement made in 1970 suspending the provisions of the Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act, Part II, and arranging for the Department of Labour to collect the information required by law to be filed with the Dominion Statistician and, if so (a) by whom (b) under what authority (c) for what reason (d) what was the outcome?

2. (a) By what authority does the Department of Labour publish union membership data and related information coming within the purview of the Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act (b) does the Minister plan to take action to resolve this jurisdictional incongruity?