

*Government Orders***QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS**

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Madam Speaker, if Question No. 388 could be made an Order for Return, the return would be tabled immediately.

Madam Deputy Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House that Question No. 388 be deemed to have been made an Order for Return?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

[Text]

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES OF CANADA

Question No. 388—Mr. Nunziata:

Since June 7, 1988, how many employees within the Correctional Services of Canada have been appointed or promoted without competition and in each case (a) what are the names of the employees (b) what was their old group and level (c) what group and level were they promoted to?

Return tabled.

[English]

Mr. Cooper: I ask that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

Madam Deputy Speaker: Shall the remaining questions stand?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

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MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Madam Speaker, Notice of Motion for the Production of Paper, P-31, in the name of the hon. member for Kingston and the Islands is acceptable to the government and the document is tabled immediately.

· NATIONAL DEFENCE

That a Humble Address be presented to His Excellency praying that he will cause to be laid before the House copies of records detailing the total cost of the deployment of Canadian Forces personnel to Oka, Quebec, at the request of the Attorney General of Quebec, pursuant to Section 277 of the National Defence Act.

Mr. Cooper: I ask that the other Notices of Motions for the Production of Papers be allowed to stand.

Madam Deputy Speaker: Will the other notices stand?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

FISHERIES ACT

MEASURE TO AMEND

The House resumed from Tuesday, December 11, consideration of the motion of Mr. Valcourt that Bill C-74, an act to amend the Fisheries Act and to amend the Criminal Code in consequence thereof, be read the third time and passed.

Mr. George Proud (Hillsborough): Madam Speaker, it is indeed a pleasure for me to rise and discuss Bill C-74. It is an honour to speak to it because it not only affects many of the residents of my riding of Hillsborough, but it affects all residents of Prince Edward Island and indeed many Canadians who are involved in the fishing industry.

The fishery has undergone a tremendous amount of change in the past number of years and I am sure that in years to come change will become a very integral part of this industry. Much of it has been and will continue to be painful. This fact is confirmed by various reports and recommendations such as the Kirby report, the Harris report and the Haché report. Members of this House and of the other place have also studied the fishery and have attempted to make recommendations to this government.

The major feature of the bill we are debating today is a response to some of these recommendations. It would impose a substantial increase in penalties for violations of fisheries law, such as illegal dumping, discarding or misreporting of fish, fishing in enclosed areas, or damaging fish habitat.

A study conducted by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans on the management of groundfish in the Scotia-Fundy region of the east coast, the Haché task force, revealed that the maximum fines provided for in the act