

Order Paper Questions

(b) Superintendent Gryszczuk terminated his assignment at these ports on September 14, 1981.

3. For that period of time Superintendent Gryszczuk was on assignment at Carway and Chief Mountain, reimbursement was provided for the following expenses:

(a) None.

(b) \$1,027.15.

(c) \$1,112.60.

(d) Total automobile mileage, 5,943. This was reimbursed at the rate of 23c. per mile for 3,528 miles with the remainder at 9c. per mile.

(e) \$221.85.

4. The superintendent assigned to the customs ports of Carway and Chief Mountain is selected on a rotational basis each summer from all superintendents on strength at the port of Coutts, Alberta. This is a regional or local staffing practice rather than a departmental procedure. During the winter, the customs officer at Carway reports to Coutts.

(a) In order to be considered, one must already be a qualified PM-2 superintendent prepared to spend the summer in travel status.

(b) A Mr. Ray Hagel, the area superintendent is responsible for appointments to the position on a rotational basis.

(c) As referred to in (a) all qualified PM-2 superintendents are considered; however, the actual appointment is made from that staff on a rotational basis.

(d) In view of the staffing practice utilized to designate the seasonal superintendent, there is no requirement for a formal meeting or interview prior to the assignment. For briefing purposes, however, the area superintendent and designated staff member may meet to discuss responsibilities as well as problem areas.

RECIPROCAL AGREEMENTS ON TAX INFORMATION

Question No. 3,764—Mr. Cossitt:

1. What are the names of all the countries with which Canada has any reciprocal agreement on the sharing of income tax information?

2. Are negotiations under way to increase the number of countries and, if so, which countries are involved?

Hon. William Rompkey (Minister of National Revenue): 1. The list below is of the countries with which Canada has ratified a treaty. All of these treaties contain a reciprocal "Exchange of Information" clause.

2. The list also includes those countries with which Canada is presently negotiating or renegotiating new treaties.

Tax Treaties

Treaties Ratified

Australia
Austria
Barbados
Belgium
Denmark
Dominican Republic
Finland
France
Germany, Fed. Rep. of

Under Negotiation or
Renegotiation and not signed

Argentina (N)*
Bangladesh (N)
Brazil (N)
Cameroon (N)
Cyprus (N)
Denmark (R)*
Egypt (N)
Finland (R)
Grenada (N)

Tax Treaties

Under Negotiation or
Renegotiation and not signed

Guyana (N)
India (N)
Ireland (R)
Ivory Coast (N)
Kenya (N)
Leeward & Windward Islands (N)**
Malta (N)
Mexico (N)
Netherlands (R)
Netherlands Antilles (N)
Nigeria (N)
Norway (R)
Poland (N)
Portugal (N)
Senegal (N)
Sri Lanka (N)
Sweden (R)
Trinidad and Tobago (R)
Thailand (N)
Tunisia (N)
USSR (N)
Yugoslavia (N)
Zambia (N)

Treaties Ratified

Indonesia
Ireland
Israel
Italy
Jamaica
Japan
Malaysia
Morocco
Netherlands
New Zealand
Norway
Pakistan
Philippines
Romania
Singapore
South Africa
South Korea
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland
Trinidad and Tobago
United Kingdom
United States

Under Negotiation

Signed but not ratified

Liberia (N)
United States (R)
West Germany (R)

*Note: N = new

R = renegotiation

**Antigua

Belize
Dominica
Montserrat
St. Kitts—Nevis—Anguilla
St. Lucia
St. Vincent

[English]

Madam Speaker: The questions enumerated by the parliamentary secretary have been answered.

Mr. Smith: Madam Speaker, I ask that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

Mr. Stevens: Madam Speaker, I rise on a point of order to ask the parliamentary secretary whether he has any explanation to give the House as to why he is refusing to answer question No. 2,042, which was asked on January 29, 1981. That is the question dealing with the total cost of the Prime Minister's (Mr. Trudeau) December-January world tour of that year and what percentage of that total cost was paid for by the poor unfortunate taxpayers of Canada. Has the parliamentary secretary any possible explanation today why this question has not been answered?

● (1220)

Mr. Smith: Madam Speaker, the government is not refusing to answer any question. As of today we have answered 2,923 questions in this session alone. A question very similar to that concerning another trip made by the Prime Minister was recently answered. The preparation of the answer to this particular question is under way and I will make inquiries on behalf of the hon. member.

Mr. Fulton: Madam Speaker, would the Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Privy Council, Mr. Smith comment on motions Nos. 62, 63 and 64 listed under Notices of Motions for Production of Papers. I have discussed this matter with the parliamentary secretary before. Would he confirm what he mentioned to me earlier in the week, that the Department of the Environment is prepared to have its memo-