

Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): The former Indian Affairs Branch has been reorganized and now forms part of the Indian-Eskimo Affairs Program. As of April 1969, 5,089 people including 1,585 persons who were formerly employed by religious denominations form part of that program.

NEWFOUNDLAND—DESIGNATED AREAS

Question No. 256—**Mr. Burton:**

1. What criteria were used by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion to select designated areas for the province of Newfoundland?

2. Were there comprehensive consultations with the Government of Newfoundland regarding the selection of these designated areas and, if so, did the province concur with the areas designated by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion?

Mr. Martin P. O'Connell (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): 1. Weighted measures of rates of economic growth (employment, income and population) and of potential for secondary industry.

2. There were comprehensive consultations. Under the terms of the legislation, the province was not asked to express formal concurrence.

QUEBEC—DESIGNATED AREAS

Question No. 259—**Mr. Burton:**

1. What criteria were used by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion in the selection of designated areas for the Province of Quebec?

2. Were there comprehensive consultations with the Government of Quebec regarding the selection of these designated areas and, if so, did the province concur with the areas designated by the Department of Regional Expansion?

Mr. Martin P. O'Connell (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): 1. Weighted measures of rates of economic growth (employment, income and population) and of potential for secondary industry.

2. There were comprehensive consultations. Under the terms of the legislation, the province was not asked to express formal concurrence.

ONTARIO—DESIGNATED AREAS

Question No. 260—**Mr. Burton:**

1. What criteria were used by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion in the selection of designated areas for the Province of Ontario?

2. Were there comprehensive consultations with the Government of Ontario regarding the selection of these designated areas and, if so, did the Province concur with the areas designated by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion?

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Mr. Martin P. O'Connell (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): 1. Weighted measures of rates of economic growth (employment, income and population) and of potential for secondary industry.

2. There were comprehensive consultations. Under the terms of the legislation, the province was not asked to express formal concurrence.

MANITOBA—DESIGNATED AREAS

Question No. 261—**Mr. Burton:**

1. What criteria were used by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion in the selection of designated areas for the province of Manitoba?

2. Were there comprehensive consultations with the Government of Manitoba regarding the selection of these designated areas and, if so, did the Province concur with the areas designated by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion?

Mr. Martin P. O'Connell (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): 1. Weighted measures of rates of economic growth (employment, income and population) and of potential for secondary industry.

2. There were comprehensive consultations. Under the terms of the legislation, the province was not asked to express formal concurrence.

SASKATCHEWAN—DESIGNATED AREAS

Question No. 262—**Mr. Burton:**

1. What criteria were used by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion in the selection of designated areas for the Province of Saskatchewan?

2. Were there comprehensive consultations with the Government of Saskatchewan regarding the selection of these designated areas and, if so, did the Province concur with the areas designated by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion?

Mr. Martin P. O'Connell (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): 1. Weighted measures of rates of economic growth (employment, income and population) and of potential for secondary industry.

2. There were comprehensive consultations. Under the terms of the legislation, the province was not asked to express formal concurrence.

ALBERTA—DESIGNATED AREAS

Question No. 263—**Mr. Burton:**

1. What criteria were used by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion in the selection of designated areas for the Province of Alberta?