EXPENDITURES—CONSTITUENCY OF SAULT STE, MARIE

Question No. 362-Mr. Symes:

From October 1972 to date, what was the total amount of funds spent by the (a) Department of Fisheries and the Environment and its agencies (b) Department of Supply and Services and its agencies in the Constituency of Sault Ste. Marie?

Mr. Yvon Pinard (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): I am informed by the Departments of Fisheries and the Environment and Supply and Services as follows: (a) From October, 1972 to October 31, 1977: \$20,253,668. (b) The Department of Supply and Services has contracted for \$537,000 in Sault Ste. Marie on behalf of other government departments. Contracting activity by regional offices is not available prior to April 1, 1976.

CBC—POLITICAL POPULARITY POLLS

Ouestion No. 727—Mr. Lambert (Bellechasse):

Is the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation authorized to run popularity polls on (a) political parties, whether (i) federal (ii) provincial (b) the Parti Québécois and, if so, in each case, how does it proceed and how many people are questioned?

Hon. John Roberts (Secretary of State): I am informed by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation as follows: a comprehensive information service should periodically include reports of public opinion polls on a variety of questions. The CBC from time to time makes use, in its information programs, of the results of public opinion polls conducted by poll organizations independently of the corporation. Occasionally, such use is supplemented by surveys commissioned by the CBC. In doing so the CBC proceeds under the objects and powers set out in section 39 of the Broadcasting Act. There is no fixed procedure for carrying out such surveys: the number of people questioned, the areas of the country covered, the length of the interview, the types of questions asked—these and other features of the survey are all dependent on the particular question being investigated and the particular type of program being planned. In most cases the surveys are conducted by independent companies with CBC involvement in the survey design. In all cases the highest professional research standards are observed.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW LOCK AT PORT SEVERN

Question No. 1,021—Mr. Rynard:

What is the proposed date of construction of a new lock at Port Severn (Lock 45) in view of the capacity of the new marine railway at the Big Chute on the Trent-Severn Waterway?

Hon. James Hugh Faulkner (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): Parks Canada's capital forecast projects fiscal year 1981-82 for commencement of a new lock at Port Severn (Lock 45).

APPLICATIONS FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER COMPANY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Question No. 1,028-Mr. Beaudoin:

1. On December 6, 1977, did the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce receive applications for financial assistance under the Company

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Development Programme from the (a) Province of Quebec (b) Constituency of Richmond and, if so, how many?

2. Under the same programme, did the Department grant subsidies to companies in (a) Quebec (b) the Constituency of Richmond and, if so, in what amount?

Hon. Jack Horner (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): 1. Under the Enterprise Development Program, during the period from April 1, 1977 to December 6, 1977, the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce: (a) Received 109 applications for assistance from companies located in the Province of Quebec. (b) Received one application for assistance from a company located in the Constituency of Richmond.

2. Under the Enterprise Development Program, during the period from April 1, 1977 to December 6, 1977: (a) Fifty-one contributions aggregating \$15,784,017 were approved in favour of companies located in the Province of Quebec. (b) One contribution for \$10,500 was approved for a company located in the Constituency of Richmond.

FLOOD CONTROL PROGRAMS IN CONSTITUENCY OF FRASER VALLEY EAST

Question No. 1,035-Mr. Patterson:

For each year since 1968, what amount was spent by the government on flood control programmes in the Constituency of Fraser Valley East?

Mr. Mike Landers (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State (Environment)): Federal expenditures for construction and site supervision under the Fraser River Flood Control Program for each year since 1968 in the constituency of Fraser Valley East are: 1968-69, —; 1969-70, —; 1970-71, \$517,500; 1971-72, \$607,322; 1972-73, \$721,500; 1973-74, \$2,176,675; 1974-75, \$2,234,272; 1975-76, \$524,877; 1976-77, \$738,875; 1977-78, \$500,000 (anticipated expenditure). These figures do not include the costs of design and administration as such expenditures are not normally made within the constituency. Flood control projects covered by these expenditures are Agassiz, Harrison Mills, Chilliwack, Matsqui, the Vedder River, Abbotsford at the mouth of the Sumas River, Nicomen Island and Seabird Island.

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QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

Mr. Yvon Pinard (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, if question No. 915 could be made an order for return, this return would be tabled immediately.

Mr. Speaker: The questions listed by the parliamentary secretary have been answered. Is it the pleasure of the House