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Question of Privilege-Mr. Masse

Mr. Speaker: Shall the Hon. Minister have leave to introduce the Bill?

## Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to, Bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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## [Translation]

### **QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER**

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. Doug Lewis (Parliamentary Secretary to Deputy Prime Minister and President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, question No. 112 will be answered today.

#### [Text]

FEDERAL PENITENTIARIES—UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS

#### Question No. 112-Mr. Howie:

1. For the fiscal year ending March 31, 1987, did persons in federal penitentiaries avail themselves of university programs and, if so (a) how many (b) in what penitentiaries (c) what was the total cost of this program?

2. In what manner and to what extent were appropriate program objectives achieved as a result of the program?

**Hon. James Kelleher (Solicitor General of Canada):** 1. Yes. (a) For the fiscal year ending March 31, 1987, average fulltime equivalent students; 247. Inmates in all institutions could also avail themselves of university correspondence courses. As of March 31, 1987, there were 369 registrations in university correspondence courses.

(b) In the fiscal year ending March 31, 1987 university programs were offered at Archambault and Cowansville institutions in Quebec; Prison for Women, Kingston Penitentiary, Collins Bay and Millhaven institutions in Ontario; Stony Mountain institution in Manitoba; Saskatchewan Penitentiary in Saskatchewan; Drumheller and Edmonton institutions in Alberta; and Kent, Matsqui, William Head and Mountain institutions in British Columbia.

(c) The total cost for university programs in 86/87 was \$904,000.

2. Educational programs are intended to provide opportunities for academic advancement as well as personal development through goal setting and achievement.

University programs provide an improved ability to find and hold a job thus potentially reducing recidivism. Taking such programs also improves self-image and increases the ability of the inmate to participate in further educational programs. The pursuit and achievement of a university degree has been found to be a positive contributing factor to the rehabilitation of the inmate students. [Translation]

#### **QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN**

Mr. Doug Lewis (Parliamentary Secretary to Deputy Prime Minister and President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, if Question No. 95 could be made an Order for Return, the return would be tabled immediately.

**Mr. Speaker:** The questions mentioned by the Parliamentary Secretary has been answered. Is it the pleasure of the House that Question No. 95 be made an Order for Return?

### Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

[Text]

#### TRAVEL OUTSIDE OF CANADA BY MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

### Question No. 95-Mr. Fulton:

For the period September 4, 1984 to March 4, 1987, did Members of Parliament travel outside of Canada at the expense, in whole or in part, of any department of the Government of Canada and, if so, for each Member and each trip what was the (a) sponsoring department (b) purpose (c) destination (d) cost?

Return tabled.

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[Translation]

# **MOTIONS FOR PAPERS**

Mr. Doug Lewis (Parliamentary Secretary to Deputy Prime Minister and President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I ask that all Notices of Motions for the production of papers be allowed to stand.

Mr. Speaker: Shall all Notices of Motions stand?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

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

Mr. Speaker: Shall the remaining questions stand?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

# PRIVILEGE

#### **REPLY TO MEMBER'S ALLEGATION**

Hon. Marcel Masse (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): Mr. Speaker, I would like to raise a question of privilege with respect to a statement made by the Hon. Member for Cape Breton—The Sydneys (Mr. MacLellan) during question period yesterday, while I was away from the House.