SOLICITOR GENERAL PUBLIC RELATIONS STAFF

Question No. 2,318-Mr. Robinson:

- 1. Does the Department of the Solicitor General have a public relations staff and, if so, how many?
- 2. What was the total cost of public relations for the Department for each of the years 1960-68 inclusive?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General): 1. No.

2. Not applicable.

*CF5 AIRCRAFT FOR ARMED SERVICES

Question No. 2,320-Mr. Brewin:

- 1. How many CF 5 aircraft are on order for use by the Armed Services of Canada?
- 2. How many CF 5 aircraft are in the course of construction and how many have been delivered or are ready for delivery?
- 3. What is the per capita cost of each CF 5 aircraft, what is the total expenditure contemplated and what has been expended to date?
- 4. Is the Government of Canada, in the light of the Prime Minister's comments in Parliament of May 8 and 9, giving consideration to cancelling the balance of the CF 5 aircraft order?

Mr. D. W. Groos (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of National Defence): 1. 115.

- 2. 15 are in the course of construction; 18 have been delivered and seven are ready for delivery. However, virtually all material and equipment has been procured and is in some stage of manufacture and assembly.
- 3. The flyaway cost of each CF 5 is estimated to be \$1,143,000. This does not include research and development, reconfiguration or support costs. Total program cost is estimated at \$215 million for aircraft and \$9 million for weapons systems, of which \$178,400,000 has been spent to April 30, 1969.

4. No.

*DDH280 DESTROYER ESCORTS

Question No. 2,322-Mr. Brewin:

- 1. How many DDH280 class destroyer escorts are being constructed and what is the total estimated cost of this program?
- 2. Have any destroyer escorts been delivered to the government?
- 3. How many destroyer escorts are in the process of assembly?
- 4. Where and for what purpose is the DDH280 class destroyer intended to be used by the Government of Canada?
- 5. Is the Government of Canada, in the light of the Prime Minister's comments in Parliament on May 8 and May 9, considering cancelling the DDH280 program?

Questions

Mr. D. W. Groos (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of National Defence): Mr. Speaker, the answer to the first part of the question is, four, at a total estimated cost of \$225 million. The answer to the second part is, no. The answer to the third part is, four. The answer to the fourth part is, these destroyers will be employed in the anti-submarine role by Maritime Command principally in the Atlantic area. The answer to the fifth and last part is, no.

*NATIONAL DEFENCE—1970 TARGET STRENGTH

Question No. 2,327-Mr. McCleave:

What is the target in numbers for 1970 of the Department of National Defence for (a) military personnel, and (b) civilian personnel?

Mr. D. W. Groos (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of National Defence): Mr. Speaker, the answer to this question is as follows. The 1969-70 estimates are based on a military strength of 98,238, and a continuing civilian personnel strength of 36,685, together with 3,674 man years of non-continuing employment. The target for the 1970-71 estimates will not be known until the defence review has been completed.

SCIENCE SECRETARIAT

Question No. 2,333-Mr. Orlikow:

- 1. Which Minister is responsible for the operations of the Treasury Board?
- 2. Which Minister is responsible in general for the science policy of the government?
- 3. Do the Chief Science Advisor and the Science Secretariat report directly to the Privy Council Office?
- 4. If not, which specific aspects of the Science Secretariat's work are directly responsible to the Privy Council Office?
- 5. Which specific aspects of the Science Secretariat's work is the responsibility of other government departments or agencies?

Mr. J. E. Walker (Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister): 1. The President of the Treasury Board.

- 2. The Chairman of the Privy Council Committee on Scientific and Industrial Research, the Hon. C. M. Drury.
- 3. The Chief Science Adviser to the Cabinet is also the director of the Science Secretariat. On most aspects of his work, he reports directly to the Chairman of the Privy Council Committee on Scientific and Industrial