

Questions

Department	Minister	No. of square feet in departmental offices
Fisheries	The Hon. Jack Davis	810
Agriculture	The Hon. H. A. Olson	1,550
Veterans Affairs	The Hon. Jean-Eudes Dube	749
Consumer & Corporate Affairs	The Hon. Ronald Basford	1,719
Defence Production	The Hon. Donald Jamieson	1,789
Post Office	The Hon. Eric Kierans	1,275
Communications	The Hon. Eric Kierans	885
Without Portfolio	The Hon. Robert Andras	409
Without Portfolio	The Hon. James Richardson	Offices in centre block
Without Portfolio	The Hon. Otto Lang	500

LABRADOR—SUBMISSION OF LITIGATION TO SUPREME COURT

Question No. 979—**Mr. Fortin:**

1. Is the government considering the possibility of submitting to the Supreme Court of Canada the litigation between the Province of Quebec and the Province of Newfoundland concerning Labrador?

2. Is the government considering the possibility of allowing the Provinces of Quebec and Newfoundland to submit the matter of Labrador to the International Court of Justice in The Hague?

3. Has the government received any correspondence, briefs or other documents relating to the matter of Labrador?

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the office of the Prime Minister and the Department of Justice as follows: 1. The Government is not aware of any such litigation.

2. By Article 34(1) of the Statute of the International Court of Justice, only States may be parties in cases before the Court.

3. Yes, but none since 1964.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS FINANCIAL STRUCTURE

Question No. 981—**Mr. Fortin:**

Have consultations taken place between the Canadian National Railway and the government with a view to revising the financial structure of the CNR and, if so, what are the results of such consultations?

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport): The management of Canadian National Railways advises as follows: Yes; the matter is still under consideration.

See also replies to Questions Nos. 99 and 980.

[Mr. Laing (Vancouver South).]

RICHMOND, QUE.—UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS

Question No. 1,065—**Mr. Beaudoin:**

1. What was the total amount of contributions to the Unemployment Insurance Fund paid by citizens of the federal constituency of Richmond in 1965, 1966, 1967 and 1968?

2. What portion was paid by employers?

3. What portion was paid by the workers?

4. What portion was paid by the government?

5. What amount has the Unemployment Insurance Fund paid in benefits in 1965, 1966, 1967 and 1968 (a) in Canada (b) in each province (c) for the federal constituency of Richmond?

6. To how many claimants in each of the provinces and in the federal constituency of Richmond were benefits paid?

[Translation]

Hon. Bryce S. Mackasey (Minister of Labour): The Unemployment Insurance Commission advises: Items 1, 2, 3 and 4: There is no information available which shows a breakdown of contributions to the Unemployment Insurance Fund by federal constituency. In Richmond, as elsewhere, employers and employees contribute an equal amount, and the government contributes an amount equal to one-fifth of the combined employer-employee contributions.

5. The attached table shows the amounts paid in benefits on a national basis and by provinces for the fiscal years 1964-65, 1965-66, 1966-67 and 1967-68. No information is available concerning the amount of benefit paid to residents of the constituency of Richmond.

6. No information is available concerning the number of individuals who receive payments by provinces or in the federal constituency of Richmond.