Order Paper Questions

[English]

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, the following question will be answered today: No. 4,491.

[Text]

CBC—ADVERTISING EXPENDITURES

Question No. 4,491-Mr. Siddon:

- 1. What amount did the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation spend for advertising in the fiscal year (a) 1980-81 (b) 1981-82?
- 2. What amount did the CBC budget for advertising in the fiscal year 1982-83?
- 3. What percentage of the CBC's fiscal year 1982-83 advertising will be devoted to (a) newspapers and magazines (b) radio (c) television (d) trade show or convention exhibits (e) any other?
- 4. Did the CBC declare a deficit in the fiscal year (a) 1980-81 (b) 1981-82 and, if so, what was the extent of that deficit?
- 5. What amount did the CBC budget for the current fiscal year for promotion of (a) the National News (b) The Journal?
- 6. What amount did the CBC spend to date in promoting the National News and The Journal (a) in television magazines and newspapers (b) on radio?

Hon. Francis Fox (Minister of Communications): I am informed by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation as follows:

- 1. (a) 1980-81 \$3,814,400, (b) 1981-82 \$4,035,334.
- 2. 1982-83 \$3,716,131.
- 3. (a) 66.8 per cent, (b) 1.8 per cent, (c) 0.4 per cent, (d) 6.1 per cent, (e) 24.9 per cent.
 - 4. (a) No, (b) No.
- 5. (a) and (b) For fiscal year 1982-83, the CBC budgeted \$92,500 for a newspaper television listings supplement campaign which has jointly promoted The National and The Journal.
 - 6. (a) Including the figure given in part 5; \$393,177, (b) Nil.

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[English]

QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, if Question No. 4,620 could be made an order for return, that return could be tabled immediately.

[Translation]

Madam Speaker: The questions enumerated by the Parliamentary Secretary have been answered. Is it the pleasure of the House that Question No. 4,620 be deemed to have been made an order for return?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

[Text]

SCHOOLS RUN BY INDIAN BANDS

Question No. 4,620—Mr. Manly:

For each school run by an Indian band over the past ten years, by Province, what was the (a) budget (b) number of pupils and teachers (c) location and was it on or off the reserve?

Return tabled.

[English]

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

Madam Speaker: Shall the remaining questions be allowed to stand?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

MOTION TO ADJOURN UNDER S.O. 30

[English]

THE BUDGET

ALLEGED PREMATURE DISCLOSURE OF BUDGETARY MEASURES

Mr. Doug Lewis (Simcoe North): Madam Speaker, I ask for leave to move the adjournment of the House under Standing Order 30 for the purpose of discussing a specific and important matter requiring consideration, namely all matters relating to the prior disclosure by the Minister of Finance (Mr. Lalonde) of detailed information about the contents of the budget delivered last evening, April 19, 1983, the confusion caused by the changes, the breach of the Minister of his oath of office, and the question of the propriety of the Minister continuing to act in his present capacity.

I gave you the required three hours' notice of this motion. We submit this is a serious matter that should be addressed immediately. The capacity of the Minister of Finance to continue to act in the best interests of the country and the breach of his oath of office through premature disclosure of the budget material, in our opinion, requires the immediate attention of the House.

Madam Speaker: I have received notice from the Hon. Member for Simcoe North (Mr. Lewis) of his intention to move a motion under Standing Order 30. I want to remind Hon. Members that the Standing Order lays down very specific criteria, as they know, governing emergency adjournment motions. Section (5) of Standing Order 30 states:

In determining whether a matter should have urgent consideration, the Speaker shall have regard to the extent to which it concerns the administrative reponsibilities of the government or could come within the scope of ministerial action—

The motion certainly meets this criterion. The matter clearly falls within the responsibility of the Minister of Finance.