Order 69(13), the committee requests a comprehensive response.

[Translation]

NATIONAL RESOURCES AND PUBLIC WORKS—PRESENTATION OF FIRST REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Mr. Rosaire Gendron (Kamouraska-Rivière-du-Loup): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present the first report of the Standing Committee on National Resources and Public Works.

[Editor's Note: For above report, see today's Votes and Proceedings.]

[English]

# CANADIAN ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

TABLING OF ANNUAL REPORT

Hon. Judy Erola (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): Mr. Speaker, as Minister responsible for the Status of Women in Canada, I am pleased to table in the House today, in both official languages, two copies of the annual report of the Canadian Advisory Council on the Status of Women.

#### **PETITION**

MR. STEVENS—HOME MAIL DELIVERY IN BOLTON, ONTARIO

Hon. Sinclair Stevens (York-Peel): Mr. Speaker, the petition of the undersigned residents of the Town of Bolton in the Province of Ontario, who now avail themselves of their ancient and undoubted right thus to present a grievance common to your petitioners in the certain assurance that your honourable House will therefore provide a remedy, humbly sheweth that although we the undersigned presently pay full postage rates, there is no home mail delivery; that although communities of equal size have home mail service, there has never been home mail delivery in Bolton.

Wherefore we the undersigned, your petitioners, humbly pray and call upon Parliament to ensure that the residents of Bolton receive home mail delivery. It is unfair, and indeed unjust, that Bolton should be denied equal treatment with other communities of equal size. And as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray. It is signed by several hundred petitioners and dated today.

## **OUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER**

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Order Paper Questions

Mr. John Evans (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 50, 500, 513 and 545.

[Text]

#### CRISIS CENTRES

Question No. 50-Mr. Howie:

In the fiscal year (a) 1981-82 (b) 1982-83, did the Department of National Health and Welfare have any studies done regarding crisis centres by (i) departmental employees (ii) outside consultants?

Mr. Russell MacLellan (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Health and Welfare): (a) (i) No. (ii) No.

(b) (i) No. (ii) Yes. In 1982-83, the National Clearinghouse on Family Violence entered into two contractual agreements with outside consultants to conduct two projects related to crisis centres.

The first project, conducted by Mrs. Jean McKay, began in May, 1982, and is scheduled to end April 1, 1984. It is comprised of a survey of all Canadian transition houses for battered women and their children. A report is expected in late summer of 1984.

The second project, conducted by Miss Jeanne Molgat, began in October, 1982 and is scheduled to end April 1, 1984. It consists of gathering information on resources for victims of wife assault, and completing data on crisis services, including police-based family crisis intervention teams, local crisis centres, crisis telephone lines and other crisis related services. Data will be available by June, 1984.

#### STUDIES RELATING TO ILLEGAL USE OF DRUGS

Question No. 500—Mr. Howie:

Did the Department of National Health and Welfare conduct any studies relating to the illegal use of drugs and, if so (a) were any of them conducted by a person or persons outside the Department and, if so, what is a list of the name or names of all such persons (b) on what date will the studies be completed (c) at what cost?

Mr. Russell MacLellan (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Health and Welfare): Yes. In January/February, 1983, the Department of National Health and Welfare carried out a survey of use and attitudes towards marijuana, alcohol and tobacco among Canadian young people. About one third of this study related to illegal drugs.

(a) Yes, the study was conducted under contract by the Canadian Gallup Poll Ltd. (b) The study was completed in March, 1983. (c) The total cost of the entire study was \$73,000.

### ABORTION COMMITTEES IN CANADIAN HOSPITALS

Question No. 513-Mr. Howie:

On the last date for which information is available, to the knowledge of the Government how many Canadian hospitals had abortion committees, and how many did not?