Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): 1967-68, Information not available; 1968-69, 53.9 per cent; 1969-70, 51.4 per cent. Information about the 1970-71 fiscal year will not be available until approximately two months after the end of the fiscal year.

CANADIAN ARMED FORCES—CONDITIONS OF PROMOTION

Question No. 1,043-Mr. Forrestall:

Is every enlisted man promoted to corporal at the end of his first five year enlistment?

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (Minister of National Defence): A man in the Canadian Forces who has completed his initial five year period of service would be promoted to corporal provided he: (a) meets the minimum medical classification for his trade; (b) has successfully completed Pay Level 5 qualifications; (c) is recommended for promotion by his Commanding Officer; (d) is available for posting action respecting normal employment in his trade; and (e) has been re-engaged for an indefinite period or re-engaged or re-enrolled for a fixed period that will extend total service beyond six years.

TRAVEL ALLOWANCES FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL

Question No. 1.044-Mr. Forrestall:

What are the travel allowances for military personnel (a) officers (b) enlisted men?

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (Minister of National Defence): Details of travel allowances for officers and men in the Canadian Forces are contained in Chapter 209, Queen's Regulations and Orders, and Canadian Forces Administrative Orders.

CANADIAN ARMED FORCES—PAY STRUCTURE

Question No. 1,045-Mr. Forrestall:

What is the complete new pay structure in CAF field by field?

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (Minister of National Defence): Details of the pay for officers and men of the Canadian Forces are contained in Chapter 204, of Queen's Regulations and Orders.

CANADIAN ARMED FORCES-MOVING ALLOWANCES

Question No. 1,046-Mr. Forrestall:

What is the scale of moving allowances for the Armed Forces (a) officers (b) enlisted men?

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (Minister of National Defence): Details of the moving allowances for Canadian Forces' personnel are contained in Chapter 209, of Queen's Regulations and Orders, and Canadian Forces Administrative Orders.

CANADIAN ARMED FORCES—RELEASE OF SERVICEMEN AT EXPIRATION OF TERM OF SERVICE

Question No. 1,049-Mr. Forrestall:

Can a serviceman opt-out after a five year enlistment period?

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (Minister of National Defence): Yes. The National Defence Act Article 31 (1)

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states "Except during an emergency or when he is on active service, an officer or man is entitled to be released at the expiration of the term of service for which he is enrolled or re-engaged".

CANADIAN ARMED FORCES—AFTER SERVICE TRAINING

Question No. 1,052-Mr. Forrestall:

- 1. Does CAF offer any after service-training to help servicemen who have been performing strictly military professions for many years?
 - 2. Is there any education credits or training planned?

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (Minister of National Defence): 1 and 2. Yes, the Civilian Employment Assistance Program which has been in operation in its present form since 1 January, 1968, was developed for this purpose. It is a joint program between the Department of National Defence and the Department of Manpower and Immigration. Entry to the program is voluntary during the last five years before retirement. Under the provisions of "The Adult Occupational Training Act" servicemen whose military skills and experience do not qualify them for satisfactory entry into the civilian labour force are provided with suitable occupational training. It is possible for the retiring serviceman to complete all arrangements during his final year of service so that his date of release coincides with the starting date of the chosen course. The responsibility for entering this type of training rests with the individual but the encouragement of the Civilian Employment Assistance Program is always available.

CANADIAN ARMED FORCES—UNIONS, CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

Question No. 1,053-Mr. Forrestall:

Are military tradesmen allowed to join outside craft unions?

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (Minister of National Defence): A member of the Canadian Forces may, subject to the basic conditions that the employment must not be detrimental to the interests of the Canadian Forces, engage in any civil employment of his choice. It may be that such civil employment is conditional upon the joining of a particular craft union. In this case, the member is not precluded from joining such union.

CANADIAN ARMED FORCES-AVERAGE AGE

Question No. 1,054-Mr. Forrestall:

What is the average age and what is the number of (a) officers (i) captain (non naval) (ii) major (iii) lieutenant-colonel (b) enlisted men (i) corporal (ii) sergeant (iii) warrant officer?

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (Minister of National Defence):

	A	verage (Mean)	
Age in years			Number
(a)	(i)	33.15	7099
	(ii)	40.08	2904
	(iii)	44.07	890
(b)	(i)	31.69	35742
	(ii)	38.26	10647
	(iii)	40.18	4799