

March 1981, state that "postage should not be issued to honour living persons other than the sovereign."

REQUESTS FROM THIRD PARTIES FOR DATA FROM STATISTICS  
CANADA

Question No. 2,719—**Mr. Beatty:**

Since March 1, 1980, did (a) Statistics Canada (b) the Department of National Revenue receive requests from third parties (i) within (ii) outside the Government for personally identifiable information about individuals which was collected from those individuals under the threat of penalties for failure to disclose the information to the Government and, in each case, what was the response of Statistics Canada or the Department of National Revenue?

**Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** I am informed by the Department of National Revenue and Statistics Canada as follows:

(a) Since March 1, 1980, Statistics Canada has received requests from third parties both from within and outside the Government for personally identifiable information.

The disclosure of identifiable information about individuals collected under the Statistics Act is forbidden by the Act except when such disclosure is explicitly consented to by the individual in question. For example, individuals request that their census records be disclosed to pension authorities for proof-of-age purposes. Some 13,000 requests of this nature are serviced by Statistics Canada each year.

(b) Since March 1, 1980, the Department of National Revenue has received requests from third parties, within and outside the Government, for personally identifiable information about individuals as extracted from income tax returns. While no record is kept of all requests received, the Department accedes when the requester has a legal entitlement to such information under subsection 241 (4) of the Income Tax Act. See also question 2,681, answered October 21, 1981.

HOSPITALITY SERVICES—DEPARTMENT OF SECRETARY OF  
STATE

Question No. 2,873—**Mr. Clarke:**

With reference to the Professional and Special Services recorded by the Department of the Secretary of State under the Arts and Culture Program at page 32.32, Volume II of the 1979-80 Public Accounts of Canada, with particular reference to Hospitality Services (a) what was the name of each type of service (b) what was the amount paid for each service and, for contracts of a value more than \$2,000, to whom was it paid (c) are guidelines used to determine when the Department will pay for hospitality and, if so, what are they (d) of the \$62,159 paid for hospitality, what percentage was principally used to entertain (i) foreign visitors (ii) Canadian businessmen (iii) provincial public servants (iv) federal public servants (v) ministerial exempt staff (vi) Members of Parliament (vii) Members of Provincial Parliaments, Legislative Assemblies and the National Assembly (viii) Canadian dignitaries, such as the Governor General and Lieutenant-Governors General (ix) federal Crown corporation executives (x) provincial Crown corporation executives (xi) members of federal commissions, boards and councils (xii) any other categories?

**Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** I am informed by the Department of Communications and the Secretary of State as follows:

(a) Breakfast, luncheon, dinner, reception, refreshments.

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(b) Hospitality costs incurred by the portion of the Arts and Culture program transferred to the Department of Communications amounted to \$16,872 during 1979-80:

Cannes Film Festival (May 6-21, 1979) Carlton Hotel, Cannes, \$2,222	\$ 9,006
Various functions not over \$2,000 (see part a)	\$ 7,866
	\$16,872

Hospitality costs incurred by the portion of the Arts and Culture program remaining with the Department of Secretary of State (State Protocol and Special Events) amounted to \$45,287 during 1979-80.

(i) Visit of H.R.H. The Princess Anne, \$4,011; Hilton Harbour Castle Hotel, Toronto, Ontario, \$2,222.

(ii) State Funeral of the Rt. Honourable J. G. Diefenbaker, \$4,421; Parliamentary Restaurant, Ottawa, Ontario, \$4,333.

(iii) Festival Canada celebrations, \$15,954; National Arts Centre Corporation, Ottawa, Ontario; Reception, \$2,419; Gestion Michel Sénécal Incorporée, Outremont, Quebec; Reception for press conferences, \$3,177; Market Development Services, Toronto, Ontario; Reception for press conferences, \$3,624.

(iv) Visit of H.R.H. The Prince of Wales, \$17,580; Explorer Hotel, Yellowknife, N.W.T., \$11,654.

(v) Various functions not over \$2,000 (see part a), \$3,321.

(c) The guidelines on hospitality contained in the Treasury Board directive Chapter 360 were followed.

(d) Information not readily available, see parts (a) and (b).

ALLOWANCE PAYMENTS TO OFF RESERVE STUDENTS

Question No. 3,735—**Mr. Althouse:**

1. Did the Department of Indian Affairs order a cutback of student allowance payments on January 1, 1982 to off-reserve Indian students and, if so, prior to that date, by province, what amount was expended on the program?

2. By province, how many Indian students are attending school off reserve as opposed to on reserve?

**Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development):** 1. Under the 1971 revision of the Department's Educational Assistance policy Indian students attending provincial or private high schools are provided with educational allowances to cover miscellaneous and personal supplies and to enable students to take part in community affairs and social activities. The rates are \$10 monthly for students aged between 14 and 17 inclusive in grades 9 and over and \$20 monthly for students aged 18 and over. The student allowance was being paid to registered Indian students in grade nine and above, irrespective of place of residence.

Following legal advice that the Department's authority under the Indian Act did not extend to providing educational services to elementary and secondary students normally resident off reserve, regions of the Department took steps to phase out programs of educational assistance to off-reserve students. Since 1980-81 was a transitional year, disparities between