COMMONS DEBATES

Order Paper Questions CANADA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION REORGANIZATION ACT

PRESENTATION OF REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Fred King (Okanagan-Similkameen): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present the report of the Legislative Committee on Bill C-66, an Act respecting the Reorganization of the Canada Development Corporation, without amendment, in both official languages.

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

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PETITIONS

CHANGES TO LEGISLATION IN BILLS C-67 AND C-68

Mr. Jim Fulton (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to table a petition regarding concerns raised in relation to Bill C-67 and Bill C-68. The bulk of the petition comes from inmates at the Saskatchewan penitentiary who are particularly concerned that the laws under which they were sentenced be those maintained during their sentences.

ESTABLISHMENT OF EMERGENCY FEED SEED GRAIN QUOTA

Mr. Maurice Foster (Algoma): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition signed by several dozen soft white wheat producers in southern Alberta. They call on the Government to have the Canadian Wheat Board establish a direct emergency feed seed grain quota for their crops so they can be delivered.

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QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. Doug Lewis (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Treasury Board): Mr. Speaker, I wish to advise the House that the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 193 and 420.

[Text]

ABORTIONS REPORTED BY HOSPITALS IN CANADA

Question No. 193-Mr. Stackhouse:

In (a) 1980 (b) 1981 (c) 1982 (d) 1983, how many abortions were reported by hospitals in Canada?

Hon. Ray Hnatyshyn (President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Departments of National Health and Welfare and National Defence as follows:

The number of therapeutic abortions reported by non-military hospitals in Canada is as follows:

	Year	Number of Abortions
(a)	1980	65,855
(b)	1981	65,127
(c)	1982	66,319
(d)	1983	61,800

For the years 1980 to 1983 inclusive, there were no abortions performed in DND hospitals.

AIRPORT TAX

Question No. 420-Mr. Robichaud:

1. Did the Government increase the airport tax by 1 per cent in November, 1984 and, if so (a) what income accrued to the Government between November and December 31, 1984 (b) what income is forecasted for 1985?

2. How many persons travelled by aircraft in Canada between January 1 and March 31 (a) 1983 (b) 1984 (c) 1985?

Hon. Don Mazankowski (Minister of Transport): 1. The 1 per cent increase in the Air Transportation Tax that went into effect April 1, 1985 was announced in the November 8, 1984 federal economic statement. The additional revenues expected to be generated in the fiscal year 1985/86 by these measures amount to \$34.6 million.

2. (a) Between January 1 and March 31, 1983 there were 9,562,700 passengers enplaned and deplaned at the top 30 Canadian airports. (b) For the same period in 1984, based on preliminary information, there were 10,594,300 passengers. (c) 1985 statistics are not yet available.

[English]

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

Mr. Nunziata: Mr. Speaker, it has now been over a year since the secret meeting between the former Solicitor General and Premier Hatfield of New Brunswick. Over seven months ago I put a series of questions on the Order Paper, specifically Question No. 296. I have asked on a number of occasions when I might be receiving a reply to those questions.

I want to put the question again to the Parliamentary Secretary or to the Solicitor General. Will they advise me and the House when answers might be forthcoming to those questions on the Order Paper? Will they provide a status report? As I indicated, it has been over seven months. Surely that is sufficient time to answer the questions.

Mr. Lewis: Mr. Speaker, I can assure the Hon. Member that those questions are being given the attention they deserve and will be answered soon.

Mr. Nunziata: Mr. Speaker-

Mr. Speaker: This is not the Question Period. There is no supplementary.

Mr. Nunziata: On a point of order, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: What is the Hon. Member's point of order?