

Order Paper Questions

AIB—STUDY OF FOOD PRICES

Question No. 1,373—**Mr. Neil:**

What was the total cost of the study carried out by the Anti-Inflation Board to determine the differences in food prices between Canada and the US?

Mr. Bob Kaplan (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Finance): I am advised by the Anti-Inflation Board that the cost of the study was \$3,234.

RDIA—AVERAGE COST PER JOB

Question No. 1,402—**Mr. MacDonald (Egmont):**

For the years 1973 to 1975, by province, what was the average cost per job created under the Regional Development Incentives Act?

Mr. Ed Lumley (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): The reply for the Department of Regional Economic Expansion is as follows: The following table provides information from 1969, the inception of the programme, to 31 December 1975, for those net accepted offers on which final payment had been made by that date. Records are not maintained in a way that permits the answer to be restricted to the period 1 January 1973 to 31 December 1975. The average cost per job created, in accordance with the foregoing, by province, is: Newfoundland, \$2,929; Prince Edward Island, \$4,481; Nova Scotia, \$6,905; New Brunswick, \$6,928; Quebec, \$2,218; Ontario, \$3,075; Manitoba, \$6,414; Saskatchewan, \$2,592; Alberta, \$4,107; British Columbia \$6,692.

NEWFOUNDLAND—LOANS UNDER SMALL BUSINESSES LOANS ACT

Question No. 1,562—**Mr. Marshall:**

By constituency, between January 1 and September 30, 1976, what is the breakdown of the loans made in Newfoundland under the Small Businesses Loans Act?

Mr. Bob Kaplan (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Finance): The requested data is not maintained by electoral district but only by province, by lender, by type of business and by purpose, for the following reasons: (i) Loans are made by banks to customers who may not live in the same constituency as the bank and whose businesses may be in yet another constituency. (ii) Constituency boundaries change from time to time; thus comparative statistics cannot be maintained on a consistent basis.

RCMP—POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL DETACHMENT

Question No. 1,639—**Mr. Epp:**

Does the RCMP intend to establish a regional detachment to serve the south-eastern region of Manitoba and, if so (a) in what location (b) what area will the detachment serve (c) how many officers will be stationed at the detachment?

Hon. Francis Fox (Solicitor General): No.

[Mr. Abbott.]

[English]

QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, if question No. 706 could be made an order for return, this return would be tabled immediately. I might say that the answer is some five inches thick, which is the reason for responding in this way.

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House that the answer to question No. 706 be made an order for return?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[Text]

ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY AUTHORITY—TENDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

Question No. 706—**Mr. Cossitt:**

1. Did the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority approve a document on February 14, 1975 entitled: "Management Guidelines No. 18. Subject: Construction Contracts" and, if so, on page three does it state that tenders up to \$50,000 are permitted to be made by the Chief of Purchases and Stores on the basis of invited tenders rather than tenders by public advertisement and does it further state that under certain conditions this situation can also be used on work estimated to cost up to \$100,000.

2. (a) What are the names and addresses of all firms presently on the list held by the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority for purposes of inviting tenders (b) who compiled the list (c) what are the names and designations of any persons furnishing, or in any way recommending names for inclusion on the list (d) were any Members of Parliament or members of any Liberal Party Executive consulted or otherwise involved in any way whatsoever with compiling the list and, if so, what are their names and addresses?

3. What is a complete list of all such tenders called on this basis since January 1, 1972 including, in each case, the successful bidder's name and address, the amount of their tender, the name and address of all others invited to tender and the nature of work done?

Return tabled.

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[English]

STARRED QUESTION

Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, would you be so kind as to call starred question No. 1,486?

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*DR. NOEL HALL—MEDIATION OF DISPUTE BETWEEN TREASURY BOARD AND CANADIAN UNION OF POSTAL WORKERS

Question No. 1,486—**Mr. Dinsdale:**

1. Was Dr. Noel Hall, professor of industrial relations at the University of British Columbia, appointed in October, 1976 to mediate the dispute between the Treasury Board and the Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW) on technological changes in the Post Office Department and, if so (a) were proceedings of the meetings between Dr. Hall, CUPW officials and government officials recorded (b) were any papers presented at the meetings by Dr. Hall, CUPW officials and/or government officials?

2. Are copies of the proceedings and of any papers presented at the meetings available and, if not, for what reason?