Hon. Paul Martin: Answered.

(The answer follows)

- 1. \$334,744 (final)
- 2. \$8,192

COST OF AND REVENUE FROM FILM "WAITING FOR CAROLINE"—INQUIRY ANSWERED

Hon. Edgar Fournier inquired of the Government, pursuant to notice:

- 1. What was the total cost of production of the film entitled "Waiting for Caroline" to the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, the National Film Board or other government agency?
- 2. What was the total revenue from the above film to the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, the National Film Board or other government agency to December 31st, 1969?

Hon. Paul Martin: Answered.

(The answer follows)

- 1. \$524,095 (final)
- 2. \$113,278

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

OPERATING COSTS OF MONTREAL-HALIFAX PASSENGER TRAINS—INQUIRY ANSWERED

Hon. Edgar Fournier inquired of the Government, pursuant to notice:

- 1. What is the cost of the operation per run from Halifax to Montreal for fuel, salaries, rental, depreciation and any other direct costs for each of the following Canadian National passenger trains: The Chaleur, The Scotian, and The Ocean Limited?
- 2. What is the overhead cost charged against each of the above trains per run from Halifax to Montreal?

Hon. Paul Martin: Answered.

(The answer follows)

Railway costs of this nature are considered confidential in view of the Railway's competitive situation. The Railway Act, as amended by the National Transportation Act, recognizes this situation and has provided for confidentiality of railway cost data with the limited exception that where such information is obtained by the Canadian Transport Commission in the course of any investigation under the Railway Act, such information shall not be published or revealed in such a manner as to be available for the use of

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any other person unless, in the opinion of the Commission, such publication is necessary in the public interest.

VISITORS IN SENATE GALLERY

PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE OF SASKATCHE-WAN MÉTIS ASSOCIATION

Hon. Herbert O. Sparrow: Honourable senators, before the Orders of the Day are called, I should like to draw the attention of honourable senators to a very distinguished group in our gallery today, led by Dr. Howard Adams, President of the Saskatchewan Métis Association. He has with him in Ottawa his complete executive from the province of Saskatchewan, totalling in number 14 persons.

I am sure honourable senators will be pleased to know we are honoured today by having this group here. Perhaps the group would stand and be recognized by honourable senators.

CANADA-UNITED STATES INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUP

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING
—DEBATE CONTINUED

The Senate resumed from Tuesday, April 7, the adjourned debate on the inquiry of Hon. Mr. Phillips (Rigaud) that he will call the attention of the Senate to the Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group held at Washington, Cape Kennedy, Houston and San Antonio, March 10 to 15, 1970.

Hon. M. Grattan O'Leary: Honourable senators, His Honour Mr. Speaker Deschatelets and Senator Phillips (Rigaud) have made two such excellent reports on this gathering in the United States that it remains for me only to add a footnote.

To begin, I think I can say that having attended five of these meetings, I feel reasonably certain that this was the best and the most effective. One of the reasons for this was that before leaving Ottawa our delegates were given excellent briefings by some of the higher officials of the Department of External Affairs and other departments. I add that we were also led with dignity and distinction by our own Speaker, Honourable Mr. Deschatelets, and by Mr. Hugh Faulkner, Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons.

I was on the committee which dealt with security and defence. I understand that it is not the custom to recite in any detail what