

Questions

nature of the product and the need for immediate clearance without the necessity of submitting the commercial two weeks in advance of broadcast.

5. Preclearance of advertisements in newspapers or media other than radio or TV is not required since these advertisements do not come under the authority of the Broadcasting Act and there is no authority for prereview under the Food and Drugs Act or the Proprietary or Patent Medicine Act.

HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH WATER SUPPLY

Question No. 1,954—**Mr. McCleave:**

1. Did the Atlantic Development Board make any recommendations with regard to the water supply for metropolitan Halifax-Dartmouth and, if so, what is their gist?

2. Has the Department of Regional Economic Expansion and the government reached a decision as to a federal role in the development of such a supply system and, if so, what is this role to be?

Mr. Russell C. Honey (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): 1. Yes. The board made a recommendation for financial assistance on a shared-cost basis for a water system for the area; such assistance to be subject to selection of a water development scheme agreeable to the parties concerned and to have regard to the question of appropriate water rates.

2. No.

CONSUMER COMMUNIQUÉ DISTRIBUTION

Question No. 1,961—**Mrs. MacInnis:**

1. What is the distribution of the Consumer Communique issued by the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs?

2. What is the breakdown of the distribution between (a) private individuals (b) newspapers (c) magazines, and (d) other business concerns?

3. How frequently has the Consumer Communique been issued since the first one in July, 1968 and what topics have been dealt with in each issue?

Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): 1. 28,000.

2. (a) 26,134; (b) 1,597 (includes 409 radio and television stations); (c) 171; (d) None as such; all requests included in over-all mailing list.

3. Twice; buying carpeting; misleading price advertising.

[Mr. Munro.]

*ANTI-BALLISTIC MISSILE SYSTEM

Question No. 1,968—**Mr. Brewin:**

1. Has the Department of National Defence or the government employed or secured the services of any groups or individuals outside of the Public Service for the purposes of advice, consultation or information in respect to the deployment of an anti-ballistic missile system in the United States of America or its implications for the security and defence of Canada?

2. If so, are any such studies under way (a) when were they begun (b) what are the names and qualifications of those involved in the studies?

3. Will the results of such studies be made available to the public or to Parliament through the Standing Committee on External Affairs and National Defence?

Mr. D. W. Groos (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Defence): Mr. Speaker, the answer to parts 1 and 2 of this question is as follows: In 1967, the Chairman, Defence Research Board engaged Dr. R. W. Nicholls, Professor and Chairman, Department of Physics, Centre for Research in Experimental Space Science, York University, Toronto, to prepare an informal unclassified report entitled "The Physical Phenomenology of Nuclear Explosions in the Atmosphere and in Space." This study, which was commenced in July and completed in August, 1967, was not concerned with the deployment of an anti-ballistic missile system but it was concerned with the effects of nuclear explosions at various altitudes.

The answer to part 3 is: Yes, if requested.

VISITS BY HIGH COMMISSIONER TO ZAMBIA

Question No. 1,991—**Mr. Lewis:**

1. How many times did the Canadian High Commissioner in Tanzania visit Zambia in the year 1968?

2. Has the Canadian High Commission in Tanzania ever informed the government of Portuguese military incursions into Zambia?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): 1. The present Canadian High Commissioner to Tanzania visited Zambia four times in 1968. His predecessor as the accredited Canadian representative also visited Zambia once in 1968.

2. Reports of Portuguese military incursions into Zambia have been transmitted to the government by the Canadian High Commission in Tanzania.