pleted by the end of this year and the 46-mile section north from Fort Simpson to Camsell Bend should be completed by the end of 1974.

- 5. These reports will be published shortly.
- 6. No.

STATE TRADING CORPORATIONS

Question No. 1,930-Mr. Blenkarn:

- 1. To the knowledge of the government, is Omnitrade Limited an organization owned by the Government of Czechoslovakia?
- 2. Is the government prepared to monitor the activities of this organization in trade?
- 3. Is the government prepared to demand that Omnitrade reveal information in connection with the marketing of steel products properly the industrial property of Bomarc Steel and Industrial Supplies (1971) Limited, a Canadian corporation owned by Canadians?
- 4. Is the government actually in favour of nationally-owned trading corporations dealing in Canada with the full protection of Canadian corporate law?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): 1. Yes.

- 2. No.
- 3. No.
- 4. The government does not discriminate in favour of state trading corporations.

GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES FOR LANGUAGE TRAINING

Question No. 2,041-Mr. Boisvert:

How much does the government expend for (a) English-speaking public servants to learn French (b) French-speaking public servants to learn English?

Hon. C. M. Drury (President of the Treasury Board): No figures are available to show how much has been spent for English-speaking public servants to learn French and French-speaking public servants to learn English. However, for the fiscal year 1971-72 the Public Service Commission spent \$9,636,000.00 for language training.

FINGER PRINTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS—RCMP HANDLING PROCEDURES

Question No. 2,067-Mr. Cullen:

- 1. Are fingerprints and photographs taken pursuant to the Identification of Criminals' Act and forwarded to the RCMP returned when a citizen is charged with an indictable offence and that charge is subsequently dismissed?
- 2. Are such records returned when, notwithstanding the legislation, an individual charged with a non-indictable offence is fingerprinted and photographed and a conviction follows?
- 3. Are such records returned when, notwithstanding the legislation, an individual charged with a non-indictable offence is fingerprinted and photographed and the charge is subsequently dismissed?

Hon. Warren Allmand (Solicitor General): 1, 2 and 3. The policy governing the return or otherwise of a citizen's fingerprints or photographs taken pursuant to the Identification of Criminals Act rests with the police department or law enforcement agency which submitted them.

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In any of the situations suggested, fingerprints and photographs are returned to the submitter upon their request.

ACUPUNCTURE

Question No. 2,077-Mr. Wise:

What position is the government taking with respect to permitting a Canadian hospital to give acupuncture treatment upon request?

Hon. Marc Lalonde (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Acupuncture is considered to be a medical act and thus comes under the jurisdiction of the provincial medical licensing bodies.

PSC—CRITERIA FOR HIRING PUBLIC SERVANTS

Question No. 2,080-Mr. Allard:

- 1. What are the criteria for the hiring of a public servant?
- 2. Does Mr. John Carson have any say in the decision of the Public Service Commission to hire a public servant following a request made by a department demanding an unilingual English person?
- Mr. Gilles Marceau (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State): I am informed by the Public Service Commission as follows: 1. Appointments to or from within the Public Service Commission are made according to merit under Sections 10 and 12 of the Public Service Employment Act.
- 2. In the process of making appointments, deputy heads provide the Commission with the linguistic status of positions; that is to say, whether positions require the knowledge of the English or the French or both languages. The Commission, of which Mr. John Carson is the Chairman, determines the level of language knowledge that is required and appoints persons who meet the requirements.

POTATOES—PRICES SUPPORT POLICY

Question No. 2,081-Mr. Godin:

For the years 1970, 1971 and 1972, what amount was spent by the government to buy potatoes under its prices support policy in the constituencies of (a) Champlain (b) Portneuf (c) Montmorency?

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture):

Constituency	Amount
(a) Champlain	\$ Nil
(b) Portneuf	\$ 1,999.50
(c) Montmorency	\$79,471.50

LIP GRANTS

Question No. 2,087-Mr. Kempling:

How many original LIP grants are still operating and being funded on a continuing basis by (a) province (b) category?

Mr. Mark MacGuigan (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Manpower and Immigration): (a) and (b) See following schedule.