

Routine Proceedings

relating to the tax on books and the printed word which is unprecedented in this country and, indeed, in almost any reasonable democracy.

I call upon the government, as do these petitioners, to withdraw the goods and services tax in its entirety and, if it is unwilling to do that, at least to amend it to excise these very odious and offensive provisions.

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QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Mr. Speaker, if Question No. 295 could be made an Order for Return, the return would be tabled immediately.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Is it the pleasure of the House that Question No. 295 be deemed to have been made an Order for Return?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

[Text]

TRADE

Question No. 295—Mr. Boudria:

1. Can the Government identify the members of its Free Trade negotiating team and support staff and, if so (a) what are their names (b) in each case, what is or was the duration of their employment?

2. What is the total cost of the Free Trade negotiations in terms of (a) salaries (b) office expenses (c) travel expenditures?

Return tabled.

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[English]

STARRED QUESTIONS

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Mr.

Speaker, would you be so kind as to call Starred Questions Nos. 355, 362, 374 and 376. Due to the number of responses, I would ask that they may be printed in *Hansard* as read.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Is it agreed?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

[Text]

WEEKEND RETREAT IN PARKSVILLE, B.C.

***Question No. 355—Ms. Langan (Mission—Coquitlam):**

1. Has the Minister of Justice invited any Canadian women to a weekend retreat in Parksville, B.C. and if so (a) who was invited (b) what criteria were used in the selection of invitees (c) what is the purpose of the meeting (d) what items are on the agenda of the meeting (e) are there any costs to the federal treasury associated with the meeting and if so, from what budget will those costs be paid?

2. What reasons are given for this meeting being hosted by the Minister of Justice rather than the Minister responsible for the Status of Women?

Hon. Kim Campbell (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada): 1. Parksville (B.C.) meeting was cancelled.

(a), (b), (c), (d) and (e): Not applicable

2. Not applicable

TRANSFER PAYMENTS

***Question No. 362—Mr. Duhamel:**

1. For each year since 1984, how many "actual dollars" have been transferred to each province for (a) health (b) education?

2. If the current formula remains unchanged, how many "actual dollars" will be transferred to each province for (a) health (b) education for the period 1991-92 to 2000-01?

Hon. Michael Holcombe Wilson (Minister of Finance): See attached.

1. Transfers to Provinces in Respect of Health and Post-Secondary Education (PSE)
under the Established Programs Financing (EPF) Arrangements
1984-85 to 1990-91

		NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	QUE	ONT	MAN	SASK	ALTA	BC	NWT	YKN	TOTAL
		(\$ Millions)												
1984-85	health	238	52	359	294	2,697	3,699	438	416	972	1,183	21	10	10,379
	PSE	96	21	145	119	1,089	1,493	177	168	392	478	8	4	4,189
	total EPF	334	73	504	413	3,786	5,191	615	583	1,364	1,661	29	13	14,567
1985-86	health	254	56	387	315	2,892	3,998	472	448	1,043	1,274	23	10	11,171
	PSE	102	23	156	127	1,167	1,614	191	181	421	514	9	4	4,508
	total EPF	356	79	543	442	4,059	5,612	663	628	1,463	1,788	32	15	15,680