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[English]

QUEBEC-REFORESTATION AGREEMENTS

Question No. 1,279-Mr. Lambert (Bellechasse):

Considering that the federal government has signed an agreement with the Province of Quebec for the implementation of a reforestation program in nine counties of Eastern Quebec in order to provide work for welfare recipients, I ask: (a) That the government release the list of these counties, (b) What is the nature of this agreement, (c) What amount has been spent on this program in the 1968-69 Estimates, (d) What amount has been provided for this program in the 1969-70 Estimates, (e) Will the federal government have any supervisory authority over the work done according to this agreement?

[Translation]

Mr. Russell C. Honey (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Forestry and Rural Development): (a) Yes: Kamouraska, Rivièredu Loup, Témiscouata, Rimouski, Matane, Matapédia, Bonaventure, Gaspé South and Gaspé North; (b) This agreement is a project under federal-provincial rural development agreement for the Lower St. Lawrence, Gaspé and Îles de la Madeleine pursuant to the Fund for Rural Economic Development Act; (c) None; (d) The amount of the total budget to be allocated to this particular project has not been decided; (e) No.

[English]

HOUSING TASK FORCE COMMISSIONERS

Question No. 1,294-Mr. Godin:

1. How many commissioners were employed on the federal Task Force on Housing, chaired by the Honourable Paul Hellyer?

- 2. What are their names and addresses?
- 3. At what salary were they hired?
- 4. How high was their expense accounts?

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport): 1. Six.

- 2. Dr. Doris Boyle, 12 Tain Street, Sydney, Nova Scotia; Mr. Robert Campeau, Campeau Corporation Limited, Box 450, Terminal "A", Ottawa, Ontario; Mr. Peter Carter, 159 Dexhill Drive, Beaconsfield, Quebec; Dr. Pierre Dansereau, 76 Maplewood, Outremont 153, Quebec; Dr. James Gillies, 73 Fairway Heights Road, Thornhill, Ontario; Mr. C. E. Pratt, 430 Stevens Drive, West Vancouver, B.C.
 - 3. \$150 per diem.
- 4. As of February 6, 1969, their expense account payments have totalled \$9,268.75. Final expense account figures are not yet known.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT OVERTIME

Question No. 1,301-Mr. Macquarrie:

- 1. How much overtime was paid to employees of the Post Office Department in each of the following months: November 1968, December 1968, January 1969?
- 2. How much overtime was paid for the period of January 23 to January 31, 1969?

Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General): In so far as the Post Office Department is concerned: 1. November 1968, \$1,161,440; December 1968, \$2,420,903; January 1969, \$1,062,774.

Note: In December 1968 an additional holiday, Boxing Day, was granted which increased the overtime costs. Also in December 1968, in addition to the overtime resulting from the Christmas Operations, a large amount of retroactive overtime payments were made because of the salary revision granted through collective bargaining with effect from 1st August 1967.

2. To determine the overtime costs for the eight day period from Thursday, 23rd January to Friday, 31st January 1969, would require a manual review of approximately 80,000 time records. Overtime is normally reported in hours for the whole month and the amount is calculated and cheques printed mechanically.