Orders for Returns

6. For each of the years 1963 to 1969, what has been the total expenditure incurred in administrating Part I of the Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act?

7. For the same years, what has been the total expenditure incurred in administrating Part II of the Act?

8. For each of the years 1963 to 1969, how many persons have been on the permanent payroll engaged in the processing, analysis and publication of information collected from corporations under Part I of the Act?

9. For the same years, how many persons have been on the permanent payroll engaged in the processing, analysis and publication of information collected from labour unions under Part II of the Act?

10. In view of the time-lag in the publication of Annual Reports on Corporations, what direct action has been taken, or is contemplated, by the government to place the Corporation and Labour Unions Returns Act under administration, which will require prompt returns to be filed?

11. What does the government regard as the primary purpose and basic objective of the Corporation and Labour Unions Returns Act (a) as it relates to corporations, and (b) as it relates to labour unions?

12. Has there been any deflection from the main goals originally established when this Act became law, or is there a policy designed to discourage implementation of the legislative intent as originally conceived by Parliament?

13. What amendments have been made to Part I of the Act, the corporations' part, since enactment, and if there have been any, what was the purpose of each?

14. Have any amendments been introduced to correct defects in Part II of the Act, the Labour Unions' part and, if so, what were these?

15. Has the Minister or his predecessors, or any officials of his department received any representations urging the adoption of such amendments or changes in the reporting procedures and, if so, how were they disposed of?

16. Will the adoption of the amendments to the Canada Corporations Act proposed in Bill C-4 involve the simultaneous filing by Corporations of the same information under two different Acts of Parliament, namely the Canada Corporations Act and the Corporations and Labour Unions' Returns Act, and will the government consider transferring the administration of the latter Act (CLURA) to the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs?

17. As unions are requested to file with the Department of Labour (Research and Economics Branch) essentially the same type of non-financial information required to be filed with the Minister's Department under Part II of this Act (CLURA), is any action being taken to relieve Unions of this burden and thereby eliminate duplication of filing returns?

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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL REVENUE-CUSTOMS AND EXCISE PERSONNEL

Question No. 1,684-Mr. Broadbent:

1. How many positions are there in the Customs and Excise Branch of the Department of National Revenue?

[Mr. Skoberg.]

2. How many of these positions are filled?

3. What is the breakdown of employees in the Customs and Excise Branch in the following categories (a) Executive (b) Scientific and Professional (c) Administrative and Foreign Service (d) Administrative Support (e) Operational (f) Technical?

4. How many employees have been laid off during the past twelve months?

5. What is the breakdown of employees by job category?

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DRUGS-"DIAZEPAM" PATENT

Question No. 1,712-Mr. Gilbert:

1. When was the drug Diazepam patented by the firm Hoffmann LaRoche?

Does it still have the status of a new drug?
What are the criteria in determining what is

a new drug?

4. How long does a drug retain the status of a new drug?

5. When will the drug Diazepam not be considered a new drug?

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ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

HEALTH AND WELFARE

STUDY OF CHEMICAL PREPARATIONS USED FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES

Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Agriculture. In view of the experience and the findings with regard to 2-4D and other chemicals such as 2-4-5T, is the Department of Agriculture conducting a comprehensive study of such chemicals which are used for agricultural and other purposes?

Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture): Yes, Mr. Speaker. A continuing review of these chemicals is carried out by research people in the Department of Agriculture as well as in co-operation with several other departments which also have the capability to review the effects, particularly the residual effects, of these chemicals.

Mr. Stanfield: A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. In view of the growing indications that an increasing number of these chemicals have very serious side effects in terms of effects on future generations, are the department and groups associated with the department making a substantially increased effort in terms of urgency and availability of staff and resources for this purpose?