

strike. If too many negative evidences of this kind are given to Quebec-ers--that the French language is not acceptable to the rest of Canada-- even in Quebec air space--then I think we have begun, seriously, to lose the battle.

MEMBER OF THE PRESS: But, sir, the Quebecers will make their views known in one single event--which will be a referendum or a plebiscite.

What opportunity will you either engineer, or try to foster for Canada, to make a choice at a given moment in history?

PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU: Well, the only reason that Quebec-ers are asked to express their choice in a referendum is that they were brought to elect a separatist government. This is not the case in the rest of Canada. Nobody in Canada--in any of the other Provinces -- certainly not at the Federal level -- believes in separation of any part of Canada. Therefore, I don't think we should be called upon, in a specific way, to say, "We want Canada to be united."

I think it is through our collective will--it is through our will as a nation--that we will keep the nation alive. And that is expressed in many ways!

It is expressed by the day-to-day events that I have discussed. It is expressed by choice you make of the Federal government; of the policies it applies; and that is the only answer I can give.