

Inquiries of the Ministry

that the recognized standards of international law and justice will not be observed by the government now in power in Greece.

Hon. Gordon Churchill (Winnipeg South Centre): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. I should like to ask the Prime Minister whether any information has been received from our embassy in Athens as to the safety of Canadian citizens who may be in the country.

Mr. Pearson: Yes, Mr. Speaker. A report has come in from our embassy indicating that to the best of their knowledge all Canadians are safe. I also noted in this morning's news reports that there has been no fighting or violence following last night's events in Greece.

UNITED NATIONS**SOUTH-WEST AFRICA—CANADIAN POSITION AT EMERGENCY SESSION**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Howard Johnston (Okanagan-Revelstoke): Mr. Speaker, my question is to the Prime Minister. Could the Prime Minister give any indication to this house of the course to be followed by Canada at the emergency session of the United Nations to deal with the question of South-West Africa, which opens in New York today.

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, the special assembly which has been called to consider this and one other question is, as my hon. friend knows, meeting today. The first item on the agenda is to the one mentioned by my hon. friend, consideration of a report from the committee that has been discussing this question in the light of the assembly resolution of last autumn.

I understand three resolutions were submitted to that committee, and the committee has not made a unanimous report. Two of the resolutions provided for the territory to be administered or supervised by the security council because of the alleged failure of the mandate and the mandatory country; the third was a resolution sponsored by Canada, and I think two other countries, providing for—I am just relying on memory now—an inspection of the situation by the United Nations Secretary General or a representative. That is the resolution which the Canadian delegate to the special assembly will be supporting.

[Mr. Pearson.]

AIR CANADA**INQUIRIES AS TO SERVICE TO REGINA AND WINNIPEG**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. K. H. More (Regina City): Mr. Speaker, I want to direct a question to the Minister of Transport. I regret that I could not give him notice; I have been away and have just returned. Last year when DC-9's were put into service I asked a question about DC-9 service by Air Canada to Saskatchewan. At the time the answer was that the target date for this service would be May 1. We are getting rather close to that date now, and I am wondering whether the minister can ascertain when Air Canada will indeed put DC-9's into service to Regina, and whether the target date remains as announced.

Hon. J. W. Pickersgill (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, I shall be glad to make inquiries.

Mr. George Muir (Lisgar): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. At the same time the minister is making his inquiry would he ascertain whether the direct flight between Ottawa and Winnipeg is to be discontinued on May 1 and, if so, why?

Mr. Pickersgill: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I will be glad to do that too.

INDUSTRY**AUTOMOBILE AGREEMENT—POSSIBLE RELIEF OF CANADIAN MANUFACTURERS FROM COMMITMENTS**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. A. D. Hales (Wellington South): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct my question to the Minister of Industry. May I preface it by welcoming the minister back to the house after his extensive trip.

Because of the decline in the production of motor vehicles in Canada, is it a fact that Canadian car manufacturers are asking to be relieved of certain commitments which they agreed to when the United States-Canada auto pact was signed?

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry): Mr. Speaker, I replied to a similar question before my departure. I thank the hon. member for welcoming me back, but at the moment I have nothing to add to the reply I made previously.

Mr. Hales: A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Will the minister assure the house