

**Mr. Bell (Carleton):** The language the minister used was "I will give everything, the whole list." I do not believe there was any qualification whatever upon it. What the minister seeks to table is not in accordance with what he said in the debate last night.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. There should not be a debate. The minister is asking for leave to table certain documents and I have to ask whether the house gives leave.

**Mr. Bell (Carleton):** Mr. Speaker, I am prepared to give leave and to ask my colleagues so to do, but I point out that this is not in accordance with the commitment that was made.

**Mr. Benson:** Mr. Speaker, on a point of privilege, if I made a commitment I would be glad to live up to that commitment. We on this side of the house always live up to our commitments.

**Some hon. Members:** Oh, oh.

## TRADE

### PROPOSED U.S. QUOTA RESTRICTIONS ON IMPORTS

On the orders of the day:

**Hon. George Hees (Northumberland):** I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Trade and Commerce. In view of the mounting pressure in the United States congress for import quotas to nullify Canada's freer access to the United States market due to Kennedy round tariff reductions, will the minister advise the United States government that Canada has no intention of lowering tariffs on United States products entering Canada from January 1 on unless we first receive a clear cut assurance from the United States government that import quotas will not be imposed against our products?

**Hon. Robert Winters (Minister of Trade and Commerce):** Mr. Speaker, this is a very important question that might more properly have been addressed to the Minister of Finance. However, I was in touch with Washington this morning and am therefore able to inform the house that I have had assurances from the United States, which as I say have been confirmed as recently as today, that the United States intends to implement its Kennedy round tariff concessions beginning January 1, 1968.

As regards the bills now before the United States congress for the imposition of import quotas, as the house is aware the Canadian

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government has indicated its serious concern in a note which I tabled in the house October 19. While not minimizing the nature of these pressures, we have received assurances from the highest levels in the United States government that the administration is doing and will continue to do everything possible to ensure that restrictive measures are not brought into effect.

**Mr. Hees:** A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. In view of our unfortunate experiences in this regard when import quotas were imposed in the past, will the minister make sure that we receive a clear cut assurance that these import quotas will not be imposed?

## CRIMINAL CODE

### REQUEST FOR AMENDMENT TO PROHIBIT GLUE SNIFFING

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Max Saltzman (Waterloo South):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to address my question to the Solicitor General. In view of the growing incidence of glue sniffing and its serious effects on young people will the government give consideration to the introduction of amendments to the Criminal Code making glue sniffing an unlawful act, subject to control by law enforcement agencies?

**Hon. L. T. Pennell (Solicitor General):** Mr. Speaker, in dealing with this question I should first point out that the hon. member for Carleton also raised this question with me in a letter. I can advise the house that the Department of National Health and Welfare, the Department of Justice and officials of my department are now giving this matter active consideration.

**Mr. Saltzman:** A supplementary question to the Minister of National Health and Welfare. Will the minister ask his department to take whatever measures are necessary to regulate the use of the offending substance, toluene, in products that can be bought by young people and which are the cause of the serious problems being created by glue sniffing?

**Hon. A. J. MacEachen (Minister of National Health and Welfare):** Mr. Speaker, I think a bill was introduced yesterday in the other place—if not it is proposed to introduce such a bill—dealing with the question of hazardous substances, and there is one provision in that bill that deals with the very point that has been raised by the hon. member. It will