

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

has informed us that they are very carefully considering this case. We are closely following the discussions between the management of this industry and the government of Nova Scotia and if we can help at any time, we will be informed and I shall be happy to take part in the re-establishment of this business.

[English]

**Mr. Muir:** In other words, is the minister assuring the House that his department is getting ready to assist in opening up these fish plants?

[Translation]

**Mr. Marchand (Langelier):** Mr. Speaker, if a request is addressed to us, it is with great sympathy that we shall try and help the government of Nova Scotia to reach its objectives.

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• (2:50 p.m.)

[English]

**INCOME TAX**

CRTC RECOMMENDATION FOR DISALLOWANCE AS EXPENSE OF COST OF ADVERTISING ON RADIO OR TELEVISION STATIONS NOT LICENSED BY COMMISSION

**Mr. E. B. Osler (Winnipeg South Centre):** Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of State, the hon. member for Scarborough East (Mr. O'Connell). Has the minister asked the government to act on the recommendation of the Canadian Radio-Television Commission to introduce an amendment to section 12(a) of the present Income Tax Act, or to Bill C-259, that would disallow as an expense the cost of advertising on radio or television stations not licensed by the commission? I ask the minister this question in the absence of the Secretary of State.

**Hon. Martin P. O'Connell (Minister of State):** Mr. Speaker, questions concerning the Income Tax Act should more properly be directed to the Minister of Finance.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I am not sure whether that question is in order. The hon. member for Greenwood.

**Mr. McCleave:** A supplementary, Mr. Speaker—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I will recognize the hon. member in a moment. The Chair has already recognized the hon. member for Greenwood.

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**EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

REPRESENTATIONS TO PREMIER KOSYGIN ON RIGHT OF SOVIET JEWS TO EMIGRATE AND RIGHTS OF OTHER ETHNIC GROUPS

**Mr. Andrew Brewin (Greenwood):** Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the right hon. Prime Minister. In light of the fact that in 1971 some 50,000 persons of Jewish origin applied for exit permits in the U.S.S.R. and only about 7,000 permits were granted, will the Prime Minister take the opportunity presented by the forthcoming visit of

Mr. Kosygin to indicate to him the serious concern of Canada about this refusal of the right to emigrate from the U.S.S.R.?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, I will look into these figures and if they do indicate the situation which the hon. member seems to describe I will renew with the Premier of the Soviet Union representations I made to him when I saw him last May.

**Mr. Steven E. Paproski (Edmonton Centre):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a supplementary question to the Prime Minister. It was reported yesterday that the Minister of Communications promised that the government will "renew the representations" the Prime Minister made for the rights of minorities in the U.S.S.R. when Premier Kosygin visits Canada. Will the Prime Minister say whether this is the intention of the government and, in light of what he said in the U.S.S.R., will the Prime Minister say what the minister meant by "representations"?

**Mr. Trudeau:** Mr. Speaker, I shall have to look up the statement to which the hon. member refers and see myself what it says I said, or would say.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order please. The Chair will recognize the hon. member on a supplementary but we have reached the point in the question period when I have to remind hon. members that we will soon be running out of time.

**Mr. Paproski:** As a supplementary question, Mr. Speaker, has the Prime Minister hired from the Toronto *Telegram* the services of Peter Worthington and Lubar Zink to look after the itinerary of Mr. Kosygin when in Canada?

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

**Mr. Warren Allmand (Notre-Dame-de-Grâce):** Mr. Speaker, this is a supplementary to the original question. Will the Prime Minister discuss with Mr. Kosygin the rights of other ethnic groups to visit Canada, as well as the rights of the Jewish people in the Soviet Union, along the lines of the question of the hon. member for Edmonton Centre?

**Mr. Trudeau:** Here too, Mr. Speaker, I will ask the hon. member what exactly he would like me to say to the Premier and certainly give it very deep consideration.

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**COMBINES**

SALE OF TORONTO "TELEGRAM" SUBSCRIPTION LIST TO TORONTO "STAR"

**Mr. J. H. Horner (Crowfoot):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs. In view of the expressed intent of Bill C-256, the new Competition Act, I wonder whether he has notified the purchaser of the subscription list of the Toronto *Telegram* that under the new act his officials may take retroactive action if they believe competition is significantly decreased by the sale of that subscription list?

**Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs):** Mr. Speaker, that would be prejudging a decision by parliament and would be in contempt of Parliament.