

Today we have an office at Athens, Greece; at Lisbon, Portugal; in Paris, France; at Brussels, Belgium; at The Hague, Holland; at Oslo, Norway. There are more offices in the process of being opened. I am informed authoritatively that offices will shortly be opened in Czechoslovakia and in Poland. Our officials are not in Czechoslovakia, but they have not their office in order yet. I am not certain that they are in Poland, but they are going there. It is hoped that by about the 1st of May they will be ready to do business in both those countries. In Switzerland arrangements have been made with the British Passport Control Office at Berne for the giving of visas for Canada to bona fide business men and visitors who are citizens of Switzerland. Arrangements are being made, or have actually been completed, between our Department of Immigration and our External Affairs Department, for representatives of the latter department to do immigration work in Palestine.

Hon. Mr. HAIG: In Palestine?

Hon. Mr. ROEBUCK: Yes.

Hon. Mr. HAIG: Do you want Arabs?

Hon. Mr. ROEBUCK: There are a great many English people and others in Palestine, and a large number of relatives of Canadians, and there is work to be done in that country. I suggest that we invite the Director of Immigration to come, as he did last year.

Hon. Mr. HAIG: Who is that gentleman?

Hon. Mr. ROEBUCK: That is Mr. A. L. Jolliffe. He gave us a splendid talk last year and was chalked full of useful information. I would suggest that we invite him again to our first opening meeting.

Hon. Mr. HAIG: I suggest that the Deputy Minister be invited, not to give evidence, but to come here to hear what goes on.

Hon. Mrs. WILSON: Dr. Keenleyside is deluged with invitations in that department.

Hon. Mr. HAIG: There is no more important business to be considered this year than immigration.

Hon. Mrs. WILSON: May I ask if Mr. James Colley is to be invited? He is representing the inter-governmental committee, and is the former chief of immigration and colonization for the C.P.R.

Hon. Mr. ROEBUCK: Where is his office?

Hon. Mrs. WILSON: He is Mr. James Colley who has an office in the Royal Bank Building.

Hon. Mr. HAIG: I suggest that Keenleyside be asked to attend, because I am acquainted with him and know that he is a very able young man. I think if immigration is going to get anywhere in Canada, we have to face a tremendous problem. There is a violent difference of opinion throughout the country about the whole question, and we should have a man like Dr. Keenleyside come and hear the evidence. One can read evidence, but it can be better understood and appreciated by hearing it.

Hon. Mr. ROEBUCK: It is moved by Senator Haig and seconded by myself that Dr. Keenleyside be invited to attend.

The motion was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. ROEBUCK: We have a list of the witnesses that we heard last year in the report of last session. If it is agreeable to all members of the committee I suggest that we send those people a circular letting them know that our committee is sitting and invite them to participate.