

*Proceedings on Adjournment Motion*

of ownership in Canadian manufacturing industries. Both of these studies are described by the director of investigation and research under the Combines Investigation Act in his annual report for 1968. The information is also used by departmental officials from time to time in the course of other inquiries under the Combines Investigation Act.

The subject of the concentration of ownership and control of Canadian industry is one of the matters to which the Economic Council of Canada must necessarily be giving attention pursuant to the reference made by the government to the Council, asking for a study

of and appropriate recommendations relating to competition policy in Canada.

The report of the Economic Council is expected by the middle of this year. The Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs does not intend to introduce any legislation relating to competition policy in general or to concentration of control of industry in Canada in particular, until he has had the benefit of the advice of the Economic Council, and the opportunity to give it careful study.

Motion agreed to and the house adjourned at 10.18 p.m.

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