

officials of many provinces, some being from the province of Quebec.

I do not have with me a report of those talks, and even if I did have one, I am not at all sure that it would be appropriate to reveal its contents before the study group has finished its own report.

[English]

ESTABLISHMENT OF STATIONS IN  
SASKATCHEWAN

**Mr. A. P. Gleave (Saskatoon-Biggar):** Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Secretary of State. Can he inform the house of any progress in establishing certain television stations in Saskatchewan?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. The hon. member is asking for a statement of a very general nature which should be given by the minister on motions.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

MONTREAL—THEFT OF MAIL BAGS

**Mr. Heath Macquarrie (Hillsborough):** Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to a minister whose words never outrun his thoughts, the Postmaster General. Has he anything to report on the investigation into yesterday's theft of mail bags in Montreal. Also, is he taking steps to protect valuable consignments on passage through the mail?

**Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General):** Yes, Mr. Speaker. I can report that an investigation is being conducted by three different forces, postal investigators, the Montreal police and the provincial police. May I say that the amount in question was exaggerated. Although it is a very large amount it is, according to our best information, somewhat less than \$200,000.

REFUNDS ON BOX RENTALS

**Mr. Mac T. McCutcheon (Lambton-Kent):** A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Can the Postmaster General announce any plans to refund extra payments made by the holders of many post office boxes in cases where those box holders have responded to post office demands this year for extra payment—in other words, where double payments have been made.

**Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General):** Yes, Mr. Speaker. Orders have already gone out to the effect that increased amounts of money demanded of people who had signed

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contracts prior to the announcement of increased rates are to be refunded. In other words, where we have asked those people to absorb increases after their original contracts were signed, we shall refund the extra money asked of them.

LABOUR RELATIONS

REQUEST FOR REPORT OF WOODS COMMITTEE

**Mr. J. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa-Whitby):** May I direct my question to the Minister of Labour, Mr. Speaker. Is he now prepared to say when we may expect the tabling of the Woods report on industrial relations in French and English?

**Hon. Bryce S. Mackasey (Minister of Labour):** Mr. Speaker, I cannot announce that, but I can tell the hon. gentleman that the problem with the French translation has been overcome. When and if the Prime Minister decides to table the Woods report we shall make a statement as to how we will proceed with it.

**Mr. Broadbent:** May I direct a supplementary question to the Prime Minister, Mr. Speaker. Is he prepared to say at this time when the government intends to table the report?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Not at this time, Mr. Speaker.

TRADE

GUYANA—SHIPMENTS OF BAUXITE TO  
CANADA

**Mr. W. B. Nesbitt (Oxford):** May I direct my question to the Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Speaker. Yesterday I asked that minister what measures the government is prepared to take with respect to the reported statement of the Prime Minister of Guyana concerning the cutting off of bauxite supplies to Canada, a step that would bring serious hardships to certain industries of this country. Is the minister now prepared to answer the question?

**Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs):** Mr. Speaker, I have not had a report yet from our office in Guyana, but I have spoken to officials of Alcan. As I understand the situation, the Prime Minister of Guyana did not go beyond any statement he had previously made on the same subject.

**Mr. Nesbitt:** A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. If the minister has made inquiries to