

releases have there been? I ask these questions so that we may have the full picture.

**Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General):** I cannot give the House any more than I have already given. I accompanied it by the warning that although the figures were approximate they were as accurate as I could get them at noon today.

[Later:]

**Mr. Forrestall:** A further supplementary. I will restrict my question to the Solicitor General and ask him to give the House an indication of the total number of raids carried out by the various authorities in connection with the recent events?

**Mr. McIlraith:** Mr. Speaker, I do not know what a "raid" is in this context. If the hon. member is referring to searches, I do not have that information available.

WAR MEASURES ACT—INITIATION OF DEPORTATION PROCEDURES AGAINST SOME OF THOSE ARRESTED

**Mr. J. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa-Whitby):** I have a supplementary question for the Solicitor General. Can the minister inform the House whether deportation procedures have been initiated against any of those who have been arrested in the last few days?

**Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General):** I have no knowledge of any deportation being ordered or anticipated in any of the cases.

WAR MEASURES ACT—SUGGESTED COMMITTEE OF MINISTERS AND PARTY LEADERS TO SUPERVISE APPLICATION OF REGULATIONS

**Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Prince Albert):** I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Justice. Is consideration being given to establishing a committee such as the Defence of Canada Regulations Committee which was set up in 1940 and met in secret so that the name of each and every person picked up with the evidence against them could be made available to the committee which would be sworn to secrecy? If such a committee were established composed of members of the Privy Council, other government members and party leaders, there would be no question whether justice was being done. In particular, those who are picked up and found to be innocent would not have their names bruited throughout the country.

**Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice):** There is something to be said for that suggestion, Mr. Speaker. I prefer to answer it by saying I will refer it to the Attorney General of Quebec.

[Translation]

WAR MEASURES ACT—REQUEST FOR STATEMENT BY PRIME MINISTER ON NECESSITY OF REGULATIONS

**Mr. Réal Caouette (Témiscamingue):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Prime Minister.

Considering that confusion prevails, that the leaders of some groups are banding together to protest against the application of the War Measures Act by the Canadian

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Parliament and that very misleading explanations are volunteered by every half-witted person in the province of Quebec, would the Prime Minister be willing to give some information and some re-assurance to the people with regard to the validity of such measures, by making use of television, radio, and newspapers, in short all the mass media at his disposal? This way he could correctly inform the public who, at the present time, is confused because of the statements made by some Quebecers and some political leaders in this chamber.

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, I feel that the hon. member has made good suggestions. I hope they will be heeded by the owners of information media.

[English]

KILLING OF QUEBEC LABOUR MINISTER—DELAY BY RADIO STATION IN GIVING INFORMATION TO POLICE

**Hon. George Hees (Prince Edward-Hastings):** I wish to address my question to the Minister of Justice. Has the government investigated the conduct of the manager of the radio station in Montreal which on Saturday night received three or four calls reporting that Mr. Laporte had been killed and giving the location of the car in which the body could be found, who did not notify the police of any of these calls and finally sent his own employee to investigate the situation, thereby delaying police action for several hours and reducing the chances of apprehending the murderers very considerably?

**Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice):** That situation was drawn to the attention of the Attorney General of Quebec, Mr. Speaker.

**Mr. Hees:** Would the government bring to the attention of all police forces that it would be wise to give the public knowledge of licence numbers and descriptions of any cars in which crimes are committed to prevent cars such as the one in which the body of Mr. Laporte was transported being driven undetected in daylight through heavily populated areas?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. Obviously the hon. member is making a suggestion to the minister. He has to assume it has been noted.

ASSOCIATION OF FOREIGN EMBASSIES WITH FLQ ACTIVITIES

**Mr. W. B. Nesbitt (Oxford):** I have a question for the Secretary of State for External Affairs. Will the minister inform the House whether any foreign governments are directly or indirectly implicated in the activities of the FLQ? I ask the question in view of remarks reportedly made by the minister in Toronto last Saturday night.

**Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs):** No, Mr. Speaker. As I think I informed the House, or perhaps it was on radio or television, we did inform the governments of Cuba and Algeria about the contents of the manifesto issued by the FLQ. As far as I know these governments, and they are the only two which have been mentioned, are not implicated.