

Inquiries of the Ministry

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE
ALLEGED INVESTIGATION INTO SUNDAY
SCHOOL TEACHING

Mr. Heath Macquarrie (Hillsborough): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Prime Minister which is prompted by a shocking and disturbing Canadian Press report of a visit by members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to at least one United Church in Ottawa for the purpose of interrogating the clergy on the content of a Sunday school program devoted to an understanding of Mainland China, and the pupils' response thereto. Can the Prime Minister advise whether the R.C.M.P. now have a place in the Sunday schools of the nation; and if so, are the Presbyterians next?

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles).

Mr. R. Gordon L. Fairweather (Fundy-Royal): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member may have a related question, but I doubt that his supplementary question is acceptable.

Mr. Fairweather: Mr. Speaker, this is an urgent question to the Prime Minister. In view of the negotiations Canada will be conducting in Stockholm to recognize the People's Republic of China, will the information to be gathered in this exercise in participatory democracy with children be communicated to the Secretary of State for External Affairs as a possible aid to such negotiations?

HOUSING

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY IN DEBATE

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister without Portfolio in charge of housing and is supplementary to exchanges of a few minutes ago. In view of the minister's expressed hope that the bill to amend the National Housing Act will be dealt with soon, may I ask him whether he will make representations to the government house leader that this be the next item of business before the house, after we have finished with the Criminal Code?

Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister without Portfolio): Mr. Speaker, I have been in consultation with the house leader. We are now working out the timetable, and I am sure he [Mr. Diefenbaker.]

will be advising all hon. members about it shortly.

INCOMES REQUIRED TO PURCHASE HOMES

Mr. Walter C. Carter (St. John's West): A supplementary question to the Minister without Portfolio in charge of housing. Will the minister undertake to make a statement reporting to the house the average market price of the 200,000 houses of which the Prime Minister is so proud, with a breakdown of the incomes required to buy houses in each of these brackets?

[Translation]

EXTERNAL AID

RATE OF INTEREST ON LOAN TO INDIA

Mr. Bernard Dumont (Frontenac): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Finance.

Could the minister tell the house, following the announcement that a loan of \$30 million is to be granted to India, what will be the terms and conditions of such loan and, in particular, what interest rate will apply thereto?

[English]

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, I do not have the information at hand. I would like to take the question as notice.

[Translation]

Mr. Dumont: Mr. Speaker, I have a supplementary question for the Minister of Finance.

With respect to the loan granted to Jamaica last week, could the minister tell us what arrangements were arrived at or what terms were agreed to?

Mr. Speaker: I suggest both the hon. member's original question and supplementary question call for technical and statistical data and should normally be put on the order paper.

[English]

AIR TRANSPORTPILOT FATIGUE CONSEQUENT UPON
AIR CANADA STRIKE

Mr. W. B. Nesbitt (Oxford): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Transport. I have not had an opportunity in the house to congratulate him on his appointment until now, so I should like to extend my congratulations and express the hope that he will live