

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

State. Do those people who have been issued colour television sets by the C.B.C. report from time to time to the corporation on C.B.C. programming?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. The question certainly is not an urgent one, even if it were acceptable, and I suggest to the hon. member that it cannot be asked at this time.

[*Later:*]

**Mr. Nasserden:** Mr. Speaker, in regard to the question which I asked previously—

**Mr. Speaker:** Is the hon. member rising to ask a question or to raise a point of order?

**Mr. Nasserden:** On a point of order with regard to the question I posed to the Secretary of State. Surely we in parliament have a right to know whether or not the people who have been issued sets make reports.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I did not suggest to the hon. member that he is not entitled to the information. I suggested he could not ask the question at this time.

**EXPO '67****CONTRACT WITH PRIVATE STATION FOR TELEVISION SPORTS EVENTS**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Thomas M. Bell (Saint John-Albert):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Secretary of State. Has a large, exclusive contract just been issued to a private Toronto station, I believe CFTO, in connection with Expo sporting events and, if so, what about the anomalous position of the C.B.C. with its \$10 million television station at Expo?

**Mr. Speaker:** I wonder whether the hon. member suggests that this is a matter so urgent that the question should be asked at this time? I doubt very much that it is.

**HIGHWAY SAFETY****REQUEST FOR FEDERAL SAFETY INSPECTORS IN AUTOMOBILE PLANTS**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Heward Grafftey (Brome-Missisquoi):** Mr. Speaker, in view of the statement made within the last 48 hours by automobile workers saying that there have been cut-backs in safety inspection procedures at factories and in view of the number of recalls of defective cars recently, will the Minister of Industry

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consider seriously the automobile workers' recommendation, namely, that federal safety inspectors be stationed in automobile plants just as there are federal inspectors in shipyards and aircraft plants?

**Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry):** Mr. Speaker, I understand this particular question is under study by a committee of the house and consequently it would be presumptuous of me to anticipate what their conclusions might be.

**Mr. Grafftey:** Then may I direct a supplementary question to the minister. This statement was not made in the committee. It was made outside the committee. In view of the fact that it was made outside the committee, would the minister say whether he himself is seriously considering the proposition of having federal inspectors in automobile factories, just as we have in shipyards and aircraft factories?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please.

**INDUSTRY****AUTOMOBILES—POSSIBLE TARIFF CHARGES IF PRODUCTION TARGETS NOT MET**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. A. D. Hales (Wellington South):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Industry. As it is becoming clearly apparent because of the slump in car sales that the car manufacturers will experience great difficulty in meeting their production targets as laid down by the United States-Canada auto pact, is it the intention of the government to charge the manufacturers all the tariffs that would have been paid if it had not been for the automobile pact?

**Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry):** Mr. Speaker, as the hon. member points out, there has been a decline in the effective demand for new motor cars both in Canada and the United States. This does impose difficulties of a character which are greater than if the market were rapidly expanding. However, I have every hope that the Canadian manufacturers will be able to fulfil the terms of the order in council and the similar arrangements. To attempt to anticipate failure to do so on their part would, I think, be erroneous.