

*Inquiries of the Ministry***FISHERIES****INQUIRY AS TO ESTABLISHMENT OF GEOGRAPHIC CO-ORDINATES**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. T. S. Barnett (Comox-Alberni):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Secretary of State for External Affairs which may not have an unfamiliar ring to him. I would like to ask whether the "soon" he has mentioned has arrived and whether this is the day in this session when he can tell us what has happened about the establishment of base line co-ordinates for our fishing zones.

**Hon. Paul Martin (Secretary of State for External Affairs):** Pretty soon, Mr. Speaker.

**Some hon. Members:** Oh, oh.

**COAL****ALBERTA—NEGOTIATIONS RESPECTING FREIGHT RATES ON SHIPMENTS TO JAPAN**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. David Lewis (York South):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Transport and ask if he could inform the house what progress, if any, has been made in the negotiations between the coal interests in Alberta and the C.P.R. relating to certain freight rates in connection with a possible contract for the purchase of coal by Japan.

**Hon. J. W. Pickersgill (Minister of Transport):** Mr. Speaker, I do not think I can give a brief answer to this important question, but I can assure the hon. gentleman and the house that it is being given the most urgent consideration by the government.

**EXTERNAL AFFAIRS****VIET NAM—SUGGESTED EXTENSION OF PROPOSED PAUSE IN BOMBING**

On the orders of the day:

**Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Leader of the Opposition):** Mr. Speaker, is the Secretary of State for External Affairs in a position to inform the house whether he has received any favourable support from any of the nations involved in connection with the suggestions made by the Canadian government regarding the situation in Viet Nam? Has any representation been made to Washington by the government of Canada in the past 10 days

the new régime in Greece particularly in respect of the safety of political prisoners and the rescinding of the provision which eliminated the death penalty for political prisoners? If so, what replies have been received?

**Mr. Martin (Essex East):** The Canadian chargé d'affaires in Athens has made inquiries about one particular situation and in respect of the security of certain other political personalities. The responses available to us in all cases have been that their security has not been imperilled.

[*Translation*]

**AGRICULTURE****DAIRY POLICY—PROPOSED MARCH ON OTTAWA BY FARMERS**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Réal Caouette (Villeneuve):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Minister of Agriculture.

In view of the fact that the Canadian Federation of Agriculture is organizing a march on Ottawa for the 24th of this month, is the minister now considering the possibility of changing or improving the dairy policy announced by the government on April 1 last?

[*English*]

**Hon. J. J. Greene (Minister of Agriculture):** Mr. Speaker, I have had meetings with the dairy farmers of Canada and other farm representatives. If any change were to be announced it would of course be announced in the house or otherwise in the proper way.

**FINANCE****REQUEST FOR STATEMENT ON TAXATION COMMISSION REPORT RESPECTING MINING**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Bert Leboe (Cariboo):** Mr. Speaker, my question is to the Minister of Finance. Since there is a great deal of concern over the postponement or cancellation of many projects in British Columbia, particularly in the mining industry, amounting to close to \$500 million, I wonder whether the minister has anything to report on this matter. This has to do with the report of the Carter commission.

**Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Minister of Finance):** I have no report to make today, Mr. Speaker.