

In attendance: From Department of Citizenship and Immigration: Hon. J. W. Pickersgill, Minister; Col. Laval Fortier, Deputy Minister; Mr. C. E. S. Smith, Director of Immigration; and Mr. W. J. Brennan, Departmental Administrative Officer.

The Committee discussed future meetings and, in particular, the question of a meeting on Friday, February 25.

Agreed,—That the Committee meet on Friday, February 25, at an hour and place to be decided by the Chairman.

The Chairman outlined the matters referred to the Committee, the Department of Citizenship and Immigration being the first department to be considered.

Item No. 59 of Main Estimates 1955-56—Departmental Administration, Department of Citizenship and Immigration—was called.

Mr. Pickersgill introduced his officials and in his opening remarks asked Committee members not to raise specific immigration cases.

There was a general discussion on administration of the department under consideration, the Minister and his officials answering questions thereon.

At 12.00 o'clock noon, the Committee adjourned until 10.30 a.m., Friday, February 25.

E. W. INNES,
Clerk of the Committee.