

reference. However, the point should be made that the only reference in this Bill to educational broadcasting is in clause 2(i) that:

... facilities should be provided within the Canadian broadcasting system... which is all Canadian broadcasting facilities under this bill for educational broadcasting.

(Translation)

Mr. Grégoire: But the reference is there, Mr. Chairman, and it is for this reason that I want to know. The reference is in Part I "General broadcasting policy" relating to private stations, to the CBC, to the entire system.

And I just want to know the following principle: when on the air, television or radio, there will be educational programs, whether it be CBC or private stations, will everything come under the jurisdiction and the right of censorship and supervision of the provincial authorities? I just want to get this as a general principle, just as a general measure.

[English]

The Chairman: I will simply try to clarify this. There is no censorship at all of Canadian broadcasting before, now or anticipated by this Bill but each province has the right to determine what materials, including audio visual presentations, go into its schools. That is the case now in every province and I presume that will be the case after whatever federal legislation we pass.

That does not affect what goes out over the air. That is a question of choice by provinces as to what they will receive in their schools.

Mr. Jamieson: I was going to say, for Mr. Grégoire's information, that is precisely the position today. There is educational broadcasting being carried on now through both CBC and the private stations. In all cases the provincial educational authorities concerned, whether it be Quebec or Alberta or Newfoundland, determine the content of those educational broadcasts, whether these go on the CBC or whether they go on private stations and I see no reason why that is likely to change.

• (5:20 p.m.)

[Translation]

Mr. Grégoire: It is precisely what I want to know about this new Act. Will the provin-

cial authorities have the right of supervision with regard to educational programs on television, either for schools or in general?

[English]

The Chairman: This Bill does not change anything in that field.

Miss LaMarsh: That is right.

(Translation)

Mr. Grégoire: Mr. Chairman, I have another question for the Minister. In the former Act, the one that is going to be amended, there was a provision requiring that any T.V. or radio station in Canada had to have a majority of Canadian shareholders. There are private stations at the present time operating under orders in council, the majority of whose shares, in number and value, is not held by Canadians, are in the hands of foreign citizens and residents.

This Bill makes no mention of these at all. Could the Minister say first whether these exceptions for certain stations are temporary, second whether these stations are being asked to regularize their situation within a given time and, third, if action will be taken against these stations which will not have regularized their position under the law?

(English)

Miss LaMarsh: I refer my friend to...

Mr. Jamieson: Is that not covered under clause 22?

Miss LaMarsh: But there is a...

Mr. Macaluso: I was advised it is under clause 22, (1) (a) (iii)

Mr. Jamieson: I am just trying to be helpful.

(Translation)

Miss LaMarsh:

(22 (1) a (3) 2 (b))

2 (b) the Canadian Broadcasting System should be effectively owned and controlled by Canadians so as to preserve and strengthen the cultural, political, social and economic fabric of Canada;

22(1) No broadcasting licence shall be issued, amended or renewed pursuant to this Part (a) in contravention of any direction to the Commission issued by the