

not wish to have conveyed to the Soviet Union or any other part of the world that the head of the Government of his country is deserving of such characterization. Any Canadian who is head of the Government of Canada would work in the interests of peace in a responsible way, and that is what the Prime Minister is doing day in and day out.

Hon. Mr. Macdonald: Honourable senators, on a point of order, may I suggest that the Leader of the Government make his speech later.

The Hon. the Speaker: On this point of order, may I invite honourable senators who may wish to ask a question of the honourable senator who has the floor to put their questions and refrain from making speeches. I would remind all honourable senators that under the amendment to the Rules and Orders they have the opportunity now to speak more than once. I now return the floor to Senator Yuzyk.

Hon. Mr. Yuzyk: Thank you, Your Honour. I think, Senator Martin, that I will answer your question in the course of this presentation. I do not make statements unless I can back them up, and I am very much concerned about the image of Canada that the present Prime Minister of Canada has left, which is not the best.

On the question of the violation of human rights in the Ukraine, in the CBC radio interview on Sunday, May 30, he stated:

My position in the Soviet Union or in Canada is that anyone who breaks the law to assert his nationalism does not get too much sympathy with me.

I did not particularly feel like bringing up any cases which would have caused Mr. Brezhnev or Mr. Kosygin to say—

He is already conscious of what they are going to say.

"Well, you know, why did you put in jail certain FLQ leaders? After all, they think they are only fighting for the independence of Quebec. Our people say they are fighting for the independence of the Ukraine. Why should you put your revolutionaries in jail and we should not put ours?"

As if Mr. Kosygin and Mr. Brezhnev state this.

The Prime Minister told the house that just as he opposed separatism in Canada, he was "not supporting the independence of any part of any other country which is recognized under international law."

Here he outrightly admits that he does not want to offend Brezhnev and Kosygin, but does not hesitate to offend the freedom-loving Ukrainians. The Canadian Prime Minister proved his utter ignorance, or else wanted to disregard the truth, when he compared the imprisoned Ukrainian intellectuals with the FLQ leaders. These Ukrainian intellectuals such as Valentyn Moroz, Chornovil, Karvansky and others are not revolutionaries or nationalists; they did not throw bombs, kidnap or murder

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anyone; they did not wish to overthrow the state and change the constitution.

Unlike the leaders of the FLQ, these intellectuals were using all legal means to have the law applied as set forth in the constitution of the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic. Article 103, Section VIII of this constitution guarantees: "Equality of the right of citizens of the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic irrespective of their nationality or race in all branches of economic, state, cultural, social and political life."

Article 105 guarantees the freedom of speech. Article 14 of Section II goes so far as to state: "The Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic reserves the right of free withdrawal from the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics". These Ukrainian intellectuals in opposing the Russification policy of Moscow in the Ukraine and in defending the cultural rights in their country demanded their rights guaranteed in their constitution and in the charter of the United Nations. They were tried and sentenced in secret, closed trials and condemned for opposing the dictatorship of the Russian communist party. All democratic and freedom-conscious Canadians who oppose arbitrary law, sympathize with these brave Ukrainian intellectuals. The Canadian Government should come to their defence if it believes in the principles of freedom, truth, justice and the rule of law.

There is no excuse for Prime Minister Trudeau to be ignorant of the facts, particularly when he is dealing with the largest imperialist, totalitarian police state in the world. He had received some time ago a booklet of documents entitled "Violation of Human Rights in Ukraine," published by the World Congress of Free Ukrainians, composed of all the free and democratic Ukrainian organizations in the world. Such books as *The Chornovil Papers*, published by McGraw-Hill, and John Kolasky's *Two Years in Soviet Ukraine*, written by a Canadian communist leader who learned the bitter truth when he recently visited Ukraine, are in the Library of Parliament and were recommended to Mr. Trudeau before his trip to the Soviet Union.

Letters and telegrams have been and are pouring into the Prime Minister's office protesting against the insult. I wonder if Prime Minister Trudeau has the moral fortitude to apologize to the Canadians of Ukrainian origin, who treasure above all the freedom and democracy that is guaranteed to all Canadians by our Constitution?

Hon. Paul Martin: Honourable senators, I followed with close interest the remarks of Senator Yuzyk. I think that in a matter involving the relations of Canada with one of the super powers, in this instance the Soviet Union, we are dealing with a subject of very considerable importance, one that not only affects our bilateral relations with that country but one that is related to our efforts, along with other countries, to bring about stability.

We do not serve the common cause of international collaboration when we exaggerate or misinterpret statements made, in this instance by the head of the Government of Canada. I do not want to traverse the ground I covered yesterday. The fact is, however, that what