

making changes in policy if there were unanimous...if there was a unanimous report from this committee. Are you not concerned then that it's possible you may end up in a situation a year from now being forced to back track on a number of things whether it's SDI or whether it's defence policy, that you may be forced to back track on issues that are becoming government policy.

CLARK: Sure, if we are wrong and if there is a process that indicates that the public...that a parliamentary committee after consulting the public, has come to the considered view that we are wrong, then a government, I would think, would have to seriously consider changing its policy. I don't find anything, you know, remarkable. What would be more remarkable would be if I said that if a government was wrong and embarked on a policy and a committee came in with a unanimous persuasive view after public consultation that said we were wrong, that we were going to ignore it. I mean that would invalidate the process. I'm trying to make the point that not only are we launching this process, we intend to respect it. Now, I can't predict what our...what the position of my colleagues in Cabinet would be with regard to a recommendation who's...that hasn't happened yet, from a committee. I'm trying to indicate my disposition and the disposition of the government and that is to take the process very seriously because if we don't, I think we lose more than the value of the recommendation that might be in question.

MODERATOR: John Brady indicates we have time for one more question.

Q: You suggest in the paper, Mr. Clark, that ODA can