

mentary to the question of my colleague from British Columbia. Can the minister tell the House whether the department is giving any consideration to the banning of general aviation flights in and out of major international airports?

Mr. Jamieson: No, Mr. Speaker, not in the specific sense that the question suggests. There are, of course, certain changes that may be necessary from time to time because, obviously, we have to reduce the hazards to an absolute minimum. There is no general policy in this regard. We are working with a number of general aviation groups to provide alternative services, but generally we do not impose these until they are acceptable to the parties concerned.

Mr. Forrestall: I have a further supplementary, Mr. Speaker. I am sorry to insist, but I am sure the minister did not want to leave the impression that general aviation is a hazard to flying in Canada.

Mr. Jamieson: That certainly was not my intention. I can assure the House of that. It is simply that there is a bit of conflict, as the hon. member knows, between commercial aviation per se and the unscheduled operations of general aviation.

NATIONAL DEFENCE

STUDENT MILITIA TRAINING—INCREASE IN QUOTAS IN AREAS OF ACUTE UNEMPLOYMENT

Mr. Jack Marshall (Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of National Defence and has to do with that part of the student employment program which comes under his department. In view of the fact that applications for student militia training in some parts of Canada are already oversubscribed, would the minister investigate, consider and direct that quotas for those regions where unemployment is acute be increased?

Hon. Léo Cadieux (Minister of National Defence): That is a good suggestion, Mr. Speaker. I do not know whether it can be implemented this year because the program is well under way, but I will certainly take this into consideration.

HARBOURS

VANCOUVER—REQUEST FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF PORT AUTHORITY

Mr. Mark Rose (Fraser Valley West): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the Minister of

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Transport when he plans to establish a port authority for the Vancouver harbour region as indicated in his public statement of February 17?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, two statements with regard to port policy should certainly be ready within the month of July. One statement will have to do with national policy, but there will certainly be one which will have express proposals with regard to the port of Vancouver which we will then discuss with the parties in that area, I hope during the summer.

POLLUTION

SUPERVISION BY PRIME MINISTER OF IMPLEMENTATION OF CANADA WATER ACT

Hon. George Hees (Prince Edward-Hastings): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Prime Minister. As the Canada Water Act in all probability will receive Royal Assent today and as it gives the government the power it has requested to start on the worthwhile job of cleaning up the pollution existing in Canada, is it the intention of the Prime Minister, during the next three months when Parliament is not in session, to personally supervise the operation of this Act to see that a worth-while job is done on our waters and report to the House when we reconvene on October 5?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I personally supervise the work of all ministers, but I do not supervise the details. I might consider putting a canoe in the Ottawa River to supervise at close hand what is happening there.

LAKE HURON—PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION TO FISHERMEN

Mr. Jack Cullen (Sarnia): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Fisheries and Forestry. In view of the serious financial hardship being faced by members of the South Lake Huron Fisherman's Association, has the federal government now decided to participate in compensation to be paid to these fishermen? Has a letter to this effect been sent to the Minister of Lands and Forests of the province of Ontario?

Hon. Jack Davis (Minister of Fisheries and Forestry): Yes, Mr. Speaker. I have written to the Hon. René Brunelle, Minister of Lands and Forests for Ontario, confirming that this is the case.