

Mr. Winch: A further supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Would the minister answer that part of my question which had to do with NATO? Has there been any agreement by the cabinet that Canada will step out of NATO? Is that matter on the agenda next week and will it be discussed? Is Canada to step out of NATO? That is what I am asking.

Mr. Martin (Essex East): There is no terminal arrangement for membership in NATO. In 1969 countries may give notice of their intention not to participate. Canada is a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, and there is no change in policy in that regard.

Mr. Frank Howard (Skeena): A supplementary question to the Minister of National Defence. May I ask the minister whether the Bomarc missiles that are presently in Canada are in the process of being removed, or whether they have been removed and will be replaced by something else.

Hon. Léo Cadieux (Minister of National Defence): There is no change in the situation with respect to Bomarc missiles at the present time.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

PRESENCE IN GALLERY OF MISSION FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

On the orders of the day:

Hon. Paul Martin (Secretary of State for External Affairs): Mr. Speaker, while I am on my feet I should like to call your attention to the fact that in the Speaker's gallery today are the members of a good-will mission from developing countries who are here preparatory to the UNCTAD meeting to be held in Delhi some time in the next few months. There are distinguished representatives from Brazil, Ghana, Pakistan, Venezuela, Chile and Thailand. I am sure we are very glad to have them in our country.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear.

[Translation]

NATIONAL SECURITY

THEFT OF ARMS AT CAP DE LA MADELEINE, QUE.

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Gérard Laprise (Chapleau): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Solicitor General of Canada. I want to ask him if the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has been called in to investigate the

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theft of shotguns which took place during the last week-end at Cap de la Madeleine?

[English]

Hon. L. T. Pennell (Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker, may I take that question as notice.

AIRPORTS

PROTEST RESPECTING ALLEGED MONOPOLY TAXI SERVICE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Ralph Cowan (York-Humber): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Transport. Yesterday, when we were discussing competition between Canadian Pacific Airlines and Air Canada the minister said, as reported on page 5060 of *Hansard*:

There are a lot of people who think a little bit of opposition is very healthy, both on international and domestic routes, and that it helps to keep air lines on their toes in providing the kind of services to which the travelling public is entitled.

I wish to ask the minister when competition will be offered to the monopoly taxi firms which operate out of Malton airport, Dorval airport and in Vancouver at the present time.

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, I am having these statements carefully analysed in order to determine the degree of consistency or otherwise in respect of the principle involved.

[Later:]

Mr. M. W. Martin (Timmins): I have a question for the Minister of Transport having to do with the taxi service from airports and related to the question posed by the hon. member for York-Humber. Is the minister aware that passengers now have to wait in the limousines leaving Ottawa airport for as long as it takes to fly from Toronto to Ottawa? Does he think this is an attempt to drive people from the limousine service to the taxi service, in which the firm concerned also has a monopoly?

Mr. Hellyer: I will be pleased to receive details from the hon. member with regard to specific instances when he felt there was inadequate service, and consider them with a view to determining where the service could be improved.

[Translation]

Mr. Réal Caouette (Villeneuve): Mr. Speaker, may I put a supplementary question?