

The WITNESS: Yes, of course, Moscow radio is broadcasting constantly.

Mr. McCUSKER: Is that being picked up in this country successfully? I have tried on my own radio many times on a shortwave set to get Russia and have not succeeded.

The WITNESS: The Russians naturally are much more interested in the European audiences and they direct their attention mainly to them.

Mr. McCUSKER: That is the point I was getting at. They have stations as strong as we have and if we are not more effective in reaching them than they are in reaching us are we not wasting considerable time?

Mr. Low: You could pick up Russian broadcasts almost anytime on the Canadian shortwave.

Mr. McCUSKER: That may be so in Peace River.

Mr. Low: No, right here in Ottawa.

Mr. GRAYDON: When a script is prepared and before it is broadcast to another country, such as Czechoslovakia or the Ukraine or the like, is there any censorship or any approval given to that before that script is broadcast, and, if so, who has the final say as to whether it should go or should not, or whether it should be changed.

The WITNESS: Ultimately that is the responsibility of the C.B.C.I.S. Broadcasts are not censored, but if the director-general had any doubt about a script he would send it up to the department for comment.

Mr. Low: If there was any doubt of it being within the policy agreed upon?

The WITNESS: Yes. All we do in the department is give political guidance. That is what we consider to be our responsibility and we consider that our responsibility ends there, and the actual broadcast and the preparation of scripts is the responsibility of the C.B.C.I.S. which is under the C.B.C. itself.

Mr. GRAYDON: I know you are not in the final analysis responsible for this policy and I do not want to be critical of you. But I think the division of the authority, the division of direction, and the division of approval with respect to these international broadcasts leaves very much to be desired, and I think the government ought to give consideration right away to making sure there is one boss and one final person who is responsible for the international service broadcasts. As it is now it is certainly very confused. We have evidence before the committee that the C.B.C.I.S. is serving two masters and if there is any one thing in which you should not be serving two masters, it should be in what we are sending to other parts of the world.

Mr. GAUTHIER: (Portneuf): Technically, it is serving one master, and politically serving another master. It cannot be otherwise.

Mr. GRAYDON: That is not what the evidence was.

Mr. GAUTHIER: (Portneuf): You have to look at the technical side.

Mr. COTE: Concerning that point raised by Mr. Graydon, is that not a denial of the C.B.C. itself, in the government or any department of the government took over the control of the C.B.C.?

The CHAIRMAN: I believe the qualification would be better advisors than masters in cases of this kind.

Mr. GRAYDON: Somebody has to have a say and I do not think an adviser has any say. I think an adviser is only to advise somebody who has the say.

Mr. COLDWELL: Does not the Director General have the final say in the event of any difficulty arising?

The WITNESS: The Director General is the responsible official in this matter.