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Your Committee reports as follows:

1. The question of privilege is well founded.

2. Your Committee, being of the opinion that as there may exist similar cases involving other Members of the House, recommends that the same considerations and recommendations should be made applicable to these cases.

3. Your Committee recommends that the Government should consider the expediency of introducing legislation to amend the Senate and House of Commons Act to resolve more clearly the question of the propriety of Members of Parliament receiving certain payments and advantages under Acts of general application and of Members making payments for leases, rent or sale of property in certain cases where they do not receive any special or undue advantages simply from the fact that they happen to be Members of Parliament.

4. More specially your Committee recommends the repeal of section 19 of the Senate and House of Commons Act and the substitution therefor of a new section 19 drafted along the principles suggested in the previous recommendation; also it recommends the immediate deletion in the Agreement for Sale identified as "Land 52-3-5A" produced before the Committee of paragraph 10 which reads:—

"No Member of the House of Commons shall be admitted to any share or part of this agreement or to any benefit to arise therefrom.";

so as to leave it entirely within the competence of the House of Commons to decide as to the qualification or disqualification of Members of Parliament.

A copy of the relevant Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence (*Issue No. 19*) is tabled.

(The Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence accompanying the said Report recorded as Appendix No. 85 to the Journals).

Mr. Lessard (LaSalle), from the Standing Committee on Transport and Communications, presented the Eleventh Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Friday, May 29, 1970, your Committee has considered Bill C-218, An Act respecting regulations made pursuant to section 4 of the Aeronautics Act, and has agreed to report it without amendment.