THE SENATE

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MANPOWER AND EMPLOYMENT

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OTTAWA, Wednesday, February 15, 1961.

The Special Committee of the Senate appointed to study and report upon the trends of manpower and employment, met this day at 9.30 a.m.

Hon. LEON MÉTHOT in the chair.

The CHAIRMAN: We have a quorum.

Senator CROLL: Mr. Chairman, before we proceed, I have a motion. We received a supplementary memorandum from the Canadian Congress of Labour, which I think all members received, in which they make comment on some of the other briefs that were presented. Could we file that as an appendix to the proceedings today?

Senator HAIG: Why don't they come and give it?

Senator Croll: They did come and make a presentation; then there were some other briefs came in, and now the Congress is commenting on them. We should have this as part of the proceedings.

Senator Leonard: Also it is an answer to some of the questions that were asked.

Senator HORNER: If that is all it is, all right. But if they are presenting new material we should have a chance to comment on it before it goes into the record.

Senator CROLL: It is their comment on the material that is in the record.

Senator HAIG: If you allow comments on everything that has passed on the floor, we shall be here for perhaps three years.

Senator CROLL: I think it should be part of the record, so that we and other people can read their comments. Then we shall have the whole picture.

Senator HAIG: Then we will have to send out to each person the comments that have been made on the report and get their answers back.

Senator CROLL: But these people have presented us with an additional brief.

Senator HAIG: Ask them to come here and they will be heard.

Senator CROLL: They have been heard once.

Senator HAIG: But not on this statement.

Senator LEONARD: I asked a question, Mr. Chairman, and they were not able to give as full an answer as they wanted to, and this is largely an application of the answer to the question that I asked. I think it is in order for it to go in.

The CHAIRMAN: If it is an answer to the question we put, we cannot prevent them giving it.

Senator Leonard: It also contains a comment on some of the material of Dr. James, but all really related to the question.

Senator HAIG: We will never get through, Mr. Chairman, with this committee in the next five years—some of us won't live longer than that—if we allow other people to answer what somebody asks afterwards.