

Mr. NICHOLSON: I am speaking now because Mr. Orlikow says he has one further question. Unfortunately, I will not be here on Thursday but the Deputy Minister and the other officials of the Department will be here to answer your questions. If Mr. Orlikow, or any other member, had a question, while I am here, I will be glad to attempt to answer it.

The CHAIRMAN: I would just like to say, Mr. Nicholson, that since we have to clear this room by eleven o'clock, I suggest to the Committee that we adjourn until this Thursday at eleven o'clock.

Mr. ORLIKOW: If the Minister is not prepared to answer my question perhaps he would take it as notice. I would like to know from the Department, what the Department is planning in terms of enforcement by enforcement, I do not mean I am specifically asking about this field. I am thinking of the labour code which we passed earlier and of the safety code which I hope we are going to pass because frankly, we do not have the staff, as far as I can tell, and my experience with the provinces is that they do not have the staff.

Mr. NICHOLSON: I can answer that. We cannot go into the details of the safety bill because it has not, as yet, been laid before parliament. I said I was not betraying any secrets because it has been discussed fairly openly with the provinces that we hoped that we would be able to take advantage of their inspectional staff. They have factory inspectors, and officials working under the Workmen's Compensation Boards in the different provinces. In principle, they have agreed to accept this responsibility if we ask them and pay for it, but what the details of the safety code itself are, I could not possibly discuss at this Committee.

Mr. ORLIKOW: I did not mean that. I am just hoping that we make sure, if we leave it to the provinces, instead of having our own inspection staff, they have the staff to enforce this legislation better than they enforce their own legislation.

The CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, I am sorry—

● (11:00 a.m.)

(Translation)

Mr. ÉMARD: Mr. Chairman, I have a question to ask the Minister before he leaves.

(English)

The CHAIRMAN: I assume we have to clear the room now, gentlemen. I will give you the right to speak at the next meeting, Mr. Émard. Is it the wish of the Committee to adjourn until this Thursday at eleven o'clock?

Mr. Stevens of the Canadian Construction Association cannot be here this Thursday, I understand. Mr. Stevens can you tell us if you will be here this Thursday or next Tuesday? Can you provide the Committee with copies of this brief which has been referred to?

Mr. P. STEVENS (*Director of Labour Relations, Canadian Construction Association*): Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, unfortunately, I am committed to attend a meeting of the National Technical Vocational Training Advisory Council which starts in Winnipeg on Thursday and the international representatives of the building and construction trade are also committed. We did not