

[English]

May we have order, please. It is very difficult to hear. Order, please. It is very difficult for the Chair to follow proceedings with all the conversations that are going on at present in the House. I invite hon. members to wait for a while before they pursue these conversations.

UNEMPLOYMENT—SUGGESTED ACTION TO BRING ABOUT TRANSFER OF INVESTMENT FUNDS FROM RESOURCE TO MANUFACTURING SECTORS TO CREATE JOBS

**Mr. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa-Whitby):** Mr. Speaker, my supplementary question is for the Minister of Finance. Would the Minister of Finance give serious consideration to increasing the rate of taxation on the resource sector of the economy to at least the level of the manufacturing sector in order to bring about a transfer of investment funds from the resource sector to the manufacturing sector soon and, thus, the creation of many more jobs?

**Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Finance):** Mr. Speaker, I will take what merit I can from that suggestion.

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[Translation]

FINANCE

DISCUSSIONS WITH PROVINCES RESPECTING FINANCING OF MUNICIPALITIES

**Mr. André Fortin (Lotbinière):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Finance.

Is it correct that his department has initiated discussions with the provincial governments in order to find a formula for financing the public sector, particularly municipalities, so that the latter may be able to proceed with the urgent works they have to do and for which they lack money?

**Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Finance):** Not at present, Mr. Speaker.

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[English]

AIRPORTS

NEW TERMINAL BUILDING, TORONTO—REASON FOR PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL MONEY TO CONTRACTOR

**Hon. George Hees (Prince Edward-Hastings):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Transport. Would the minister take the first opportunity on motions to explain to the House why the government has found it necessary to pay the contractor an additional \$2½ million over and above the original contract price to enable the new air terminal building at Toronto International Airport to open in June whereas the original contract required that it be opened in March?

**Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport):** Mr. Speaker, I would assume that the estimates of the department will very soon be before the committee, at which

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time I will be prepared to answer all questions relating to this item.

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**Mr. Hees:** At the time the minister is answering all questions, will he also be prepared to answer questions as to why the contractor has said that he, the contractor, is not responsible for any delay in construction or increase in costs? Will the minister explain who is responsible and why?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please.

**Mr. Hees:** Have we got another *Bonaventure* on our hands?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please.

NEW TERMINAL BUILDING, TORONTO—REQUEST FOR TABLING OF CONTRACTS

**Mr. David Lewis (York South):** Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the Minister of Transport a different kind of question relating to this subject. Will the minister table the amendment to the contract with Piggot Construction and the details of the arrangements with that company so that members of parliament can see exactly what is involved in view of the fact there has not only been, I understand, a \$2.5 million additional payment to Piggot but also an additional \$1.7 million for delays for which the department is alleged to be responsible? Will the minister table the contracts involved and the amendments to the contracts?

**Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport):** Mr. Speaker, to the extent that it is within the government's power to do so and these are not private matters of the contractor, I will be glad to table or make available to members all details relating to this particular project.

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[Translation]

CRIMINAL CODE

ABOLITION OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT—REVIEW BY HOUSE DURING PRESENT SESSION

**Mr. Léonel Beaudoin (Richmond):** Mr. Speaker, I have another question for the right hon. Prime Minister.

In view of the fact that on December 29, 1967 the House of Commons deemed advisable to amend section 202A(2) of the Criminal Code, dealing with capital punishment in Canada, with a few exceptions, made the amendment to remain in force for a five-year period ending on December 29, 1972, can the right hon. Prime Minister tell the House whether he intends to have the House deal with the matter this year, during the present session?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, we do not intend to broach this matter during the present session. Normally, a new session should begin in the fall. Normally also, the present government will be in power and we shall then be able to deal with the problem.