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### THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

#### INFLATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT—CONSULTATION WITH EXPERTS TO FIND SOLUTIONS

**Mr. Réal Caouette (Témiscamingue):** Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the Prime Minister a question concerning unemployment and inflation.

When this government tries to fight inflation, there is an increase in unemployment. When jobs are created, there is an increase in inflation. Would the Prime Minister tell the House whether the government is currently using experts, economists, sociologists and so on to find a cure for these two evils and whether these experts have suggested a program to this end?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, we are certainly employing experts to study these problems. The Department of Finance has many experts studying the question. The Prices and Incomes Commission has also been working on a solution for two years. The Bank of Canada also has a number of specialists who are concerned with this problem.

**Mr. Caouette:** Mr. Speaker, I want to direct a supplementary question to the Prime Minister.

Would he not agree to adding a few Créditistes to these experts, in order to come up with a solution—

**Mr. Speaker:** The supplementary question of the hon. member is more in the nature of a suggestion and he must take it for granted that it will be considered by the Prime Minister.

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### PUBLIC SERVICE

#### FIREMEN'S STRIKE, EDMONTON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT—ACTION TO END DISPUTE

**Hon. Marcel Lambert (Edmonton West):** Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the Minister of Transport and the Minister of Labour I shall direct my question to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Labour. In view of the strike of firemen at Edmonton International Airport, with the threat of a spread of the strike, will the minister report to the House what steps he is taking to make sure that this labour dispute is brought to an end soon, it now having been in negotiation for seven months?

**Mr. Ray Perrault (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Labour):** The hon. member has asked an important question, Mr. Speaker, but I would point out that it comes under the jurisdiction of the Treasury Board. As the men involved are civil servants, it is not within the ambit of responsibility of the Department of Labour. I would be pleased, however, to communicate to my minister the gravity of the situation as reported to the House.

**Mr. Lambert (Edmonton West):** Notwithstanding the fact that the men in question may be public servants, I wonder whether the Minister of Labour would put some of that vaunted ability of his to work in getting this dispute settled immediately?

### Inquiries of the Ministry

#### EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

#### OPPORTUNITY FOR JEWS TO EMIGRATE FROM SOVIET UNION TO ISRAEL

**Mr. Heath Macquarrie (Hillsborough):** I have a question for the Prime Minister, Mr. Speaker. In view of the Prime Minister's report to the House on Friday of Mr. Kosygin's assurance that the allegations of Soviet refusal to allow the emigration of Soviet Jews to Israel were unfounded and that the Canadian government has corroborated this statement, can the Prime Minister now advise whether the government of Israel was among those with whom the matter was checked and if that government is now as satisfied as he is with these assurances?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Yes, Mr. Speaker. We have figures from various sources, but the government of Israel has agreed that there has been a substantial increase in immigration from the Soviet Union.

#### SIMILARITY OF UKRAINIAN FIGHT FOR LIBERATION AND FLQ MOVEMENT—REQUEST THAT PRIME MINISTER APPEAR BEFORE SPECIAL COMMITTEE

**Mr. Eldon M. Woolliams (Calgary North):** I have a supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. I wish to ask the Prime Minister, now that he is safely back in Canada, whether he still believes that the Ukrainian fight for liberation in the U.S.S.R. is similar to that engaged in by the FLQ last fall?

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

**Mr. Woolliams:** Mr. Speaker, may I rephrase that question. It is very important.

**Some hon. Members:** Oh, oh!

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. That question, of course is not in order. Perhaps the hon. member for Calgary North would like to rephrase his question. I have to recognize the hon. member for Gander-Twillingate in a moment on a supplementary to the previous question, and we will return to that matter.

**Mr. Woolliams:** Mr. Speaker, in light of the statement that the Prime Minister made over the weekend on the radio, would he be prepared to go before the special committee that is to be set up and give evidence in reference to his position regarding the liberation of Ukrainians and make clear his position with regard to the FLQ and future, repressive legislation?

**An hon. Member:** That is some rephrasing.

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, I will gladly answer any questions put to me in the House on this matter.

**Some hon. Members:** Oh, oh!

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