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parliamentary program. The house would not expect me to announce measures which will be included in the next speech from the throne. I can tell the house, however, that the general subject will be taken under advisement by the government.

**Mr. A. D. Alkenbrack (Frontenac-Lennox and Addington):** I have a supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Will the Prime Minister say whether it is the intention of the government to implement the recommendation of the Auditor General to set up an independent management study to root out causes for the continuance of wasteful and extravagant government spending?

**Mr. Trudeau:** We had such a study in the form of the Glassco Commission report a few years ago, and I must say that the government's record of implementing the overwhelming majority of the recommendations of the commission is very good.

**Mr. Baldwin:** The seven year itch.

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**Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Prime Minister and it is supplementary to questions asked in the last few days regarding the United States A.B.M. program. In view of reports that the Governor General is to make a tour of the northern part of Canada to assert our sovereignty there, will the government consider shooting the Governor General into outer space so that we can assert our sovereignty out there as well?

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

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, I must correct part of the hon. member's question in the sense that the purpose of the visit of the Governor General is not to assert our sovereignty there. Our sovereignty in the northern part of Canada is very well established.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear.

**Mr. Trudeau:** As to asking the Governor General to go into outer space, I am afraid he will only find members of the New Democratic party there.

**Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** That is right, Mr. Speaker, we are everywhere.

[Mr. Trudeau.]

[Translation]

**NATIONAL DEFENCE****INQUIRY ABOUT U.S. MISSILE POLICY**

**Mr. Bernard Dumont (Frontenac):** Mr. Speaker, recently the Secretary of State said that the missile policy, to which reference is made at the present time, was an escalation policy and a threat to peace. Does the Prime Minister share the view expressed in Paris by the Secretary of State?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, without being rude I would suggest to the hon. member that when he puts a question to a minister, he should say at the outset what minister he is addressing. I did not get the question and he simply mentioned my name at the end. I would therefore ask him to repeat it.

**Mr. Dumont:** I apologize to the Prime Minister. I had put a question to him but in view of the ovation he received, he probably did not hear it.

I am referring to the statement of the Secretary of State to the effect that the present missile policy of the Washington government is a threat to world peace; I was asking the Prime Minister whether he agreed with the statement of the Secretary of State?

**Mr. Trudeau:** Mr. Speaker, I am not aware that the Secretary of State made such a statement. He will be back in Ottawa today and I shall ask him what he said in this regard.

**AIRPORTS****COMMENCEMENT OF WORK ON MONTREAL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

**Mr. Georges Valade (Sainte-Marie):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Minister of Transport.

Further to the statement he made at the beginning of the sitting, I should like to ask him whether construction plans for the new airport are now under way and when the work is scheduled to start?

[English]

**Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport):** Just as soon as possible. The usual critical path will obviously have to be followed, beginning today with the expropriation of the land, followed by soil testing, the designing of the runways and the terminal facilities,