

the National Farm Products Marketing Council to overcome this.

**An hon. Member:** Send the minister to the salt mines.

**Mr. Towers:** In view of the high regard which the Minister of Agriculture has for his ability to produce and his reference to Russia, will he be applying to Mr. Brezhnev for the position vacated by Dmitry Polyansky as Soviet minister of agriculture?

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

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### EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

#### ALLEGED CONFUSION AT CANADA HOUSE IN LONDON— CORRECTIVE MEASURES BY GOVERNMENT

**Hon. George Hees (Prince Edward-Hastings):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Secretary of State for External Affairs. As a press report from London stated in considerable detail that the addition of an extra layer of bureaucracy to the operations of Canada House in London has produced confusion and inefficiency which is baffling to those who are seeking information from Canada House, and they are the ones whom Canada House was originally established to serve, has the minister investigated this matter since I drew it to his attention last week and has he been able to take steps to correct this rather disturbing situation?

● (1430)

**Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Secretary of State for External Affairs):** Mr. Speaker, the hon. member knows as well as I do that Canada House has performed extremely well and with a very high standard of service. Accordingly, all of us were surprised at this news report. However, I have communicated with the High Commissioner, and I expect that corrective action will be taken very quickly.

**Mr. Hees:** As this report was very detailed regarding the considerable number of instances in which confusion and inefficiency have grown up in Canada House, is the minister looking into the operation of our embassies around the world to see if what has happened in our most important embassy, London, is happening in other places as well?

**Mr. MacEachen:** The service performed by our missions abroad, whether they be embassies or high commissions, is constantly under consideration and under constant upgrading and improvement, and I am sure that the complaints which have developed in London will be corrected because of staff reassignments and staff procurements.

**Mr. Hees:** Let us hope so.

### Oral Questions

#### AIR TRANSPORT

#### SUGGESTED USE OF CANADIAN CHEESE ON ALL DOMESTIC FLIGHTS

**Mr. Joe Flynn (Kitchener):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Transport which is further to my question of November 26 last on the subject of the use of imported wines on domestic flights. I should like to ask him if he would also consider the use of Canadian cheese, replacing imported cheeses on all domestic flights. We have many fine products in Canada such as Canadian brick, Gouda, Swiss, Colby, Boursault, Provolone, Canadian Oka, Camembert and the fine Cheddars, to name just a few.

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

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. The hon. member for Winnipeg North.

**Mr. Hees:** A nice bit of advertising, Joe.

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### ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

#### PROPOSAL TO AMEND GUIDELINES TO PERMIT WORKERS TO SHARE IN INCREASED PROFITS FROM SALE OF EXPORTS

**Mr. David Orlikow (Winnipeg North):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Finance. In view of the removal of the guideline limits on profits made by corporations from exports as a result of higher prices—such as the one announced today for copper—or greater productivity, and in view of the limits put on wage increases for workers in those industries, will the government consider amending the wage guidelines so that workers in those industries could share fairly the greater profitability of the corporations?

**Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (Minister of Finance):** Mr. Speaker, that would seem to me to be unfair to other workers in Canada who are subject to the guidelines.

**Mr. Douglas (Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands):** What about the other corporations?

#### MEASURES TO ENSURE CORPORATIONS WILL NOT SELL ALL HIGH QUALITY GOODS IN EXPORT MARKET TO REAP HIGHER PROFITS

**Mr. David Orlikow (Winnipeg North):** In view of the fact that companies which export part of their production, such as lumber, will be permitted to make larger profits on their export sales than they could make on sales in Canada, what steps, if any, is the government taking to ensure that companies, in order to make these larger profits, will not export their highest quality products which they produce and sell in Canada the second grade, inferior products?

**Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (Minister of Finance):** Mr. Speaker, through the anti-inflation program the returns of exporting corporations will be monitored in relation to their business, both Canadian and export, and through the