

[English]

**Miss LaMarsh:** No, no, no. Do not lead but finish the question. The CBC is a...

**Mr. Grégoire:** The Minister will not let me finish the question.

**Miss LaMarsh:** ...federal undertaking and it is not going to be subject to anything provincial.

(Translation)

**Mr. Grégoire:** If I may finish my question.

Will the CBC be submitted to the jurisdiction, the censorship and necessary authorizations of the provincial jurisdictions with regard to the content of the educational programs presented?

(English)

**Miss LaMarsh:** No, but Mr. Grégoire you are making a mistake when you are talking about the CBC; the likelihood is that it will not be the CBC. And I have said clearly that this legislation cannot affect the fact that the constitution gives responsibility to the provinces in the field of education. We are given responsibility in the field of broadcasting. The CBC is not necessarily at all a part of this in the field of educational television. You keep directing your question to the CBC as to whether the province will be able to censor it.

I only suggest to you that you should also listen to what we said in the House about the way in which this is going to be tackled. ETV was reserved by this Committee last year—I was going over the White Paper—and it has not yet had a chance to hear anyone; there are all kinds of people in the country who want to be heard on this subject. It is not a bill that is being presented by me to the Committee; it is a draft paper of our present thoughts simply because we felt it would be easier if the Committee had something concrete in front of it instead of just diving into this very large field without any kind of form or substance at all.

• (5:15 p.m.)

(Translation)

**Mr. Grégoire:** Mr. Chairman, I was asking my questions within the framework of the Bill before us.

[English]

**Miss LaMarsh:** The Bill before us only says that broadcasting is to be within this Act and

that broadcasting, whether it be an educational television broadcasting undertaking or one that we now know as private broadcasting, or public, comes within this bill. But this is the only reference to educational television in this whole Bill.

[Translation]

**Mr. Grégoire:** But the whole Bill applies to the CBC as much as to other stations, or other networks?

[English]

**Miss LaMarsh:** Yes, it also applies to the CBC; it applies to private stations; it applies to educational stations when they are on the air.

[Translation]

**Mr. Grégoire:** So, if I understand well, private stations will be under the provincial jurisdiction for education, as far as program content is concerned but when we come to the CBC, the provinces will not finally have the right of censorship on such educational programs which might come over the CBC?

[English]

**Miss LaMarsh:** I am afraid that we are quite at cross purposes. I think you would find it very useful to come back when you have this Bill and our draft paper before you so you could take a look at it. I do not know whether or not it is a communications problem but we just do not have a meeting of minds at all on that.

[Translation]

**Mr. Goyer:** Are we not talking about the possibility of another network, indeed?

[English]

**Miss LaMarsh:** We are part of that...

**Mr. Macaluso:** The provinces of Ontario and Quebec just applied for their own ETV channel UHF band. Is that really not the simple way out of it?

**Miss LaMarsh:** Well it has currently applied for a VHF band.

**Mr. Macaluso:** I meant VHF band. I am sorry.

**The Chairman:** I am sure the Minister does not want to pursue this too far because we are going to be doing so under a different