

*Oral Questions*

anticipate that the hon. member mentioned, namely, de Havilland and Canadair perhaps working in some kind of corporate harness. This decision will have to be made, as the hon. member has said, within a matter of three or four weeks, I believe, but it is quite possible that if the assessment of the restructuring of the industry has not been finalized by that time, and there are certain other key questions which have to be resolved in that connection, namely, defence purchases and the like, we might very well seek a further extension of the option.

CANADAIR—POSSIBILITY OF CANCELLATION OF UNITED STATES ORDERS IF GOVERNMENT EXERCISES OPTION TO PURCHASE

**Mr. T. C. Douglas (Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands):** Mr. Speaker, I want to ask the minister a question regarding reports that some officials of his department are alleged to have said that certain U.S. officials had indicated that orders to Canadair would be cancelled and no further orders forthcoming if Canadair became solely a Crown corporation and that such orders would only continue if a very major U.S. aircraft company were given a substantial equity in Canadair should the government decide to exercise its option.

**Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce):** I have not been made aware of any such comments by American companies. I think that if the hon. member has been following such published reports as there have been, he will realize that a bigger interest on the part of U.S. companies is the acquisition of certain purchases within Canada of aircraft and the like in return for which certain undertakings have been suggested, such as that they would bring business to various Canadian companies such as Canadair. I think these commitments are of a sort that would not be provisional upon the ownership being government, private or for that matter, American. In other words, I do not think that is an issue on the question of ownership of Canadair.

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[Translation]

**AIRPORTS**

REQUEST THAT PRODUCTS SOLD IN DUTY FREE SHOPS BE CANADIAN

**Mr. Gilbert Rondeau (Shefford):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Minister of Transport.

Since more than 75 per cent of the goods sold in duty free shops located in the various airports in Canada are imported, will the minister soon ask Air Canada to review its purchasing policy so that these stores sell articles made in Canada and foreign tourists be allowed to return home with truly Canadian products, souvenirs from Canada?

[English]

**Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Transport):** Mr. Speaker, I will be glad to check the figures on the proportion of goods and treat the rest of the hon. member's remarks as a recommendation.

[Mr. Jamieson.]

**CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION**

VIEWPOINT—ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO CANCEL PROGRAM ON GROUNDS MR. MURRAY MEDICALLY UNFIT

**Mr. Walter Baker (Grenville-Carleton):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Prime Minister in the absence of the Secretary of State. It concerns the circumstances surrounding and arising out of the decision by the CBC to cancel the program "Viewpoint". Is the Prime Minister aware that in an attempt to manufacture justification for the cancellation of "Viewpoint", which is not a popular move at all, the CBC has used the device of ordering Mr. Ian Murray to keep an appointment with a CBC appointed physician, made without Mr. Murray's knowledge or consent, and that even before the examination was to be held, ordered him replaced on the grounds he would be found in that examination to be medically unfit?

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

**Miss Coline Campbell (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State):** Mr. Speaker, I shall certainly bring this to the attention of the hon. Minister and look into it.

**Mr. Baker (Grenville-Carleton):** I thank the parliamentary secretary for that answer. When the hon. lady is advising her minister of the question, would she attempt to obtain an undertaking from him to inquire into the circumstances of a memorandum from Mr. Bill Stevenson to Messrs. Herndorf and Wright dated today, November 17, in which this apparent victimizing of Mr. Murray the producer, is fully set forth? Would she undertake to do that?

**Miss Campbell:** Yes, Mr. Speaker.

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**ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE**

QUEBEC CRIME PROBE—JUSTIFICATION FOR CHALLENGING CONSTITUTIONALITY OF COMMISSION IN VIEW OF INCREASE IN CRIME

**Mr. Eldon M. Woolliams (Calgary North):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Justice arising from an answer given to the hon. member for Northumberland-Durham. I wonder if he could tell the House and the country how he can justify and square his position of legally challenging provincial rights with reference to police commissions and other inquiries into crime when crime is on the increase and is one of the most important issues, which he himself admitted when he took over the portfolio.

**Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Justice):** Mr. Speaker, there is no need to square the positions because they are not unsquare. Obviously, the position relative to crime in this country is an important one which I share with the hon. member. Consequently, that is why we are bringing forward very shortly important amendments to the Criminal Code. It is also for that reason that I have taken up with the Solicitor General of Quebec ways in which, should the Supreme Court of Canada find the present commission of inquiry in Quebec unconstitutional, it could