

Oral Questions

Panarctic separately and distinctly. In fact my understanding is the request for the adjournment was made on behalf of one of the lawyers representing employees and not by Panarctic.

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[Translation]

CRIMINAL CODE**RESOLUTION OF QUEBEC PROVINCIAL POLICE FOR RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT**

Mr. Adrien Lambert (Bellechasse): Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Solicitor General.

Recently in Quebec, the members of the Quebec Provincial Police held a congress. Can the minister tell us if following that congress, the members of the Quebec Provincial Police sent him a resolution asking restoration of the death penalty, not only for the murder of police officers or prison guards, but for any citizen. In the affirmative, has the minister replied and if so what was his answer?

Hon. Warren Allmand (Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker, as I have already said, I was away from the House for two weeks and I do not know whether there has been such a request as mentioned by the hon. member.

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[English]

SPORTS**ALLEGATION OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP RESULTING FROM RELOCATION OF ATHLETES TRAINING FOR OLYMPICS—GOVERNMENT POSITION**

Mr. Gus MacFarlane (Hamilton Mountain): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of National Health and Welfare. The minister recently announced further assistance to athletes training for the Olympics. I am particularly concerned about whether any attention has been paid to the relocation of athletes. For example, the mens' volleyball team is entirely located in Montreal and the womens' volleyball team is located in Vancouver. Over 40 athletes have indicated that relocation has proved unsatisfactory from a financial point of view. Does anyone in the minister's department have a specific responsibility for contacting the athletes with a view to assuring that undue hardship is not worked upon them with regard to relocation.

[Translation]

Hon. Marc Lalonde (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, it is obvious that when sports require the formation of teams, these teams must meet at some place to practice their sport. It is impossible to set up a national football or volleyball team with each player living in his town of origin. However, the case raised by the hon. member is one which we are concerned about. There is an employee of Sport Canada, a direction of my department, who follows the question very closely on a regular basis, and who is in communication with the athletes involved. As far as the training involved is done according to 1976 Games plan, either my department or the

[Mr. Buchanan.]

Canadian Olympics Association will see that the necessary steps are taken to make sure no prejudice is caused to our athletes.

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[English]

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF AID FROM UGANDA PENDING DECISION ON FATE OF DENNIS HILLS**

Mr. Bob Brisco (Kootenay West): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Secretary of State for External Affairs but in his absence I should like to address it to the Prime Minister. In view of the despotic and deplorable conduct of President Amin of Uganda, particularly at this time with reference to the British author and lecturer, is the government prepared to immediately withdraw CIDA's support pending the outcome of Uganda's decision with reference to the fate of Dennis Hills and if not, why not?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I am not quite sure of the extent of CIDA's program in Uganda, and I do not know whether it would be an appropriate kind of action for Canada to take when we disagree with the actions of the government. However, I will certainly look into the matter to see what might be done.

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ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS**EFFECT OF AEROSOL SPRAYS AND SST AIRCRAFT ON ATMOSPHERE—REQUEST FOR REPORT—POSSIBILITY OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION TO DEAL WITH PROBLEM**

Mr. Joe Clark (Rocky Mountain): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of the Environment who in October last year said her department was looking into the matter of aerosols and SST's. Can the minister advise the House whether her department has now stopped looking, particularly in light of the fact that the State of Oregon has already banned the sale after March 31, 1977 of certain aerosol containers, and whether we can expect a comprehensive statement by the government respecting spray cans and SST aircraft.

[Translation]

Hon. Jeanne Sauv  (Minister of the Environment): Mr. Speaker, we continuously examined the issue of freon or gases used in all kinds of containers because our information on these substances are not yet conclusive. We participate in studies with the OECD and with American colleagues to establish if there are really dangers to the environment in utilizing these gases. If the Contaminant Act is passed, I shall be in a better position to get information on the quantity of these gases rejected into the atmosphere and into the environment, and I hope that in the very near future, we will be able to reach a conclusion on this very important matter.

As for supersonic flights, the hon. member knows naturally that there are no such flights over Canada.