

Mr. Speaker: It seems to me that this question could easily be put on the order paper. If the matter is at all urgent, then the hon. member should give me the required notice and I shall see to it that the matter is discussed on adjournment.

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INDUSTRY

AUTOMOBILES—UNITED STATES CUSTOMS COURT DECISION RECLASSIFYING CANADIAN-FORGED PARTS AS DUTIABLE

Mr. A. D. Hales (Wellington): Mr. Speaker, just before the Easter recess I directed a question to the Minister of Finance concerning a decision of the United States customs court imposing an import duty on Canadian-forged auto parts, which appears to be in violation of the United States-Canada car pact.

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce has the answer to this question and I am sure he will give it to my hon. friend the next time he is in the House.

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NATIONAL SECURITY

REPLACEMENT OF PUBLIC ORDER (TEMPORARY MEASURES) ACT—OPPORTUNITY FOR DEBATE

Mr. G. W. Baldwin (Peace River): I have a question for the Minister of Justice. As there are only six more parliamentary days before April 30—I am sure the minister is well aware of that—can he advise the House if the internal difficulties that the government has experienced in connection with the type of measure to replace or deal with the Public Order (Temporary Measures) Act have been resolved? Can the minister now tell the House in what form the government intends to introduce discussion of this matter in the House, and will he repeat the assurance that it will be in such a form as to permit the House to debate and discuss the matter and give the government the benefit of its advice?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice): Mr. Speaker, I am not going to accept the preamble to that question. The Prime Minister dealt fully with the same question yesterday. Certain issues will be brought before the House in such a form that the views of the House may be ascertained.

REPLACEMENT OF PUBLIC ORDER (TEMPORARY MEASURES) ACT—CONSULTATION WITH PROVINCES

Mr. David MacDonald (Egmont): Mr. Speaker, can the Minister of Justice inform the House whether, prior to the introduction of any measure in the House, there will

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have been consultation with the provinces on the nature of any provision that might be put before the House?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice): Whatever is put before the House in whatever form, Mr. Speaker, will imply, either before or after, very close consultation with the provinces.

[Translation]

Mr. Roch La Salle (Joliette): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a supplementary question to the Minister of Justice.

As the Public Order (Temporary Measures) Act will expire on April 30, can the minister tell the House whether he met the Minister of Justice of Quebec lately to discuss the special powers or whether he has replied to the letter from Quebec requesting an extension of these powers?

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): Mr. Speaker, when I met the premier of Quebec some two weeks ago, to discuss negotiations on the revision of the Constitution, we discussed the Act which is now in force and the possibility of passing a new one. The premier of Quebec had then invited the Minister of Justice of Quebec, Mr. Jérôme Choquette, to take part in these discussions.

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[English]

TRANSPORT

COMPULSORY PROVISION OF STRONGER BUMPERS ON AUTOMOBILES

Mr. Barry Mather (Surrey-White Rock): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Transport? Having in mind the action taken by his counterpart, the Secretary of Transport in the United States, requiring that all passenger motorcars by a certain date in 1972 be equipped with proper defence bumpers to replace today's costume-jewelry type bumpers, can the minister inform the House whether similar consideration is being given to such a requirement in Canada?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Yes, Mr. Speaker, the officials who have responsibility for auto safety are now devising new regulations with regard to automobile bumpers. As a member of the committee I believe the hon. member knows that the situation is that we work closely with the American safety authorities in this regard. I would expect that our standards will be similar and certainly not less than theirs.

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REGIONAL ECONOMIC EXPANSION

QUEBEC—REQUEST FOR INTEREST-FREE LOANS FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Mr. André Fortin (Loisbinière): Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct a question to the Prime Minister. It has to do with the visit by the premier of Quebec to various European countries.