

correctly, £500,000 or \$1.5 million to UNRWA, is the government giving consideration to making an additional Canadian contribution either in money or in kind to help deal with the immediate emergency in the Middle East?

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): Yes, it was discussed yesterday by the cabinet and we have agreed to make an additional contribution in the light of the report which has just been received from the United Nations director-general of UNRWA outlining the immediate needs and perhaps the longer range requirements. I would prefer it if this matter were taken up on Monday when details of what the contribution is to be will be available.

GRAIN

WHEAT—FURTHER MEETINGS TO IMPLEMENT KENNEDY ROUND

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Reynold Rapp (Humboldt-Melfort-Tisdale): I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Trade and Commerce. It relates to the meeting of the international wheat council held in London on June 19 and 20. Can the minister inform the house what arrangements were made for future meetings to implement the decisions of the Kennedy round?

Hon. Robert Winters (Minister of Trade and Commerce): I thank the hon. member for giving me notice of his intention to ask me this question. It was agreed that all members of the United Nations and its specialized agencies, whether or not they are members of the international wheat council, will be invited to participate in the negotiation of a new agreement. The new agreement will incorporate the provisions of the memorandum of agreement included in the Kennedy round. The international wheat council will convene the conference in co-operation with UNCTAD. The conference will be held in Rome at FAO headquarters and commence on July 12.

TRADE

FISHERIES—REDUCTION OF TARIFF TO ASSIST INDUSTRY

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Lloyd R. Crouse (Queens-Lunenburg): Mr. Speaker, I have a question and I am not sure whether it should be directed to the Minister of Trade and Commerce or to the Minister of Fisheries, but perhaps the proper

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minister will endeavour to answer it. In view of the marketing problems presently faced by the Canadian fishing industry, brought about by the flooding of the American market by other countries in search of hard currency, have any representations been made to the United States government to reduce the tariff wall on Canadian processed fish, which would thereby help the Canadian fishing industry?

Hon. Robert Winters (Minister of Trade and Commerce): Mr. Speaker, I believe I could answer that question. Yes, there have been representations made. This was one of the subjects discussed in the Kennedy round of negotiations, and I think the hon. member will find that some action will result.

CAPE BRETON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

INCLUSION OF MCBEAN COLLIERY IN LEGISLATION

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Robert Muir (Cape Breton North and Victoria): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. Is he in a position today to make the statement that the right hon. Prime Minister yesterday suggested he might make today, with reference to the representations he has been receiving from members of the house and the numerous telegrams he has been receiving from the locals of the United Mine Workers of America union with regard to the inclusion of the McBean colliery in the Cape Breton Development Corporation?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): Mr. Speaker, I can very rapidly repeat a few of the things I have already said and add a few more. The nationalization of the Dosco coal mines on Cape Breton Island is justified by the economic and social situation on the island, a situation which is of national concern. Pictou county, where the McBean colliery is located, is not in a similar situation. The economic and social situation there is not one of national concern. As a matter of fact in the last two or three years the Atlantic Development Board has made grants worth \$14 million to that area, \$12 million for a power plant at Trenton, \$1.2 million for industrial development in the Stellarton area, \$300,000 for water supply at the industrial park, \$400,000 for general industrial building—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.