

Mr. GREEN: That is right.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): Mr. Macmillan spoke in Boston of the need of unity of powers, and strengthening NATO, and so on. Could you say anything to us along that line?

Mr. GREEN: Our thinking is that there should be a meeting of the heads of government of NATO, to decide on the long-term plan, once it is in position to be placed before them. We would hope that would be done this year.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): This year?

Mr. GREEN: Yes.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): What are the prospects of that meeting being in Ottawa—in Canada, as the Prime Minister suggested might be the case?

Mr. GREEN: I could not say.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): I wish you a good trip.

Mr. ASSELIN: Amen.

Mr. CRESTOHL: Would the minister care to make a comment on a statement which was made by Castro in declaring Cuba a part of the Soviet orbit? Does Canada not look upon this as a very menacing statement? What position does your department take?

Mr. GREEN: I think the declaration said that Cuba was to be a socialist state.

Mr. CRESTOHL: Yes, that was the exact language of the statement. I have not it verbatim. It is being interpreted as being part of the Soviet orbit.

Mr. GREEN: There is no doubt that it is a very worrisome statement.

Mr. CRESTOHL: Has Canada taken any position in this regard?

Mr. GREEN: No, I think the Prime Minister made our position very clear a week or ten days ago in the house.

The CHAIRMAN: Miss Aitken, and gentlemen, there have been a lot of questions asked, and our meetings with the minister have proved very fruitful.

I will plan to arrange future meetings shortly, and you will be notified.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): Is there any possibility that we would be finished with the estimates before the minister returns to Canada?

The CHAIRMAN: I do not think so.

The minister has informed me that he would be willing to come back at any time. Shall we stand item 76 for that purpose?

Some hon. MEMBERS: Agreed.

Mr. SMITH (*Calgary North*): So that it is clearly understood, are we proceeding with the balance of the items, standing the first item, and then reverting to it?

The CHAIRMAN: Yes, as soon as we can arrange a satisfactory meeting time, and a room.