unhappy.

POWER

APPLICATION TO FLOOD PART OF SKAGIT VALLEY

Mr. Mark Rose (Fraser Valley West): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. Has he or has his office received any application from the government of British Columbia to this date to flood 6,000 acres of the Skagit Valley in southern British Columbia?

Hon. J. J. Greene (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): Mr. Speaker, I am not sure of the status of this matter that has been drawn to my attention. Whether there is a specific request from that government to this effect I am not quite certain and therefore I will take the hon. member's question as notice.

Mr. Rose: May I ask a supplementary question, Mr. Speaker, which the minister could take as notice as well. Can he assure the House that if this matter comes before this department a great deal of study will be given to all possible implications of this project and that the government's approval for the project will not be automatic?

[Translation]

NATIONAL DEFENCE

VAL D'OR-USE OF TRAILERS AS HOUSING

Mr. Oza Tétrault (Villeneuve): Mr. Speaker, I wish to put a question to the Minister of National Defence.

Is he aware of the fact that the Val-d'Or military base is supposed soon to receive from 100 to 125 trailers to be used as living quarters by families of armed forces members?

Mr. Speaker: The question might be considered at the time of adjournment or the hon. member may prefer to put it on the order paper.

[English]

LABOUR CONDITIONS

UNEMPLOYED AUTO WORKERS-FURTHER HEARING AS TO TAB BENEFITS

Mr. Norman A. Cafik (Ontario): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of decision of the Supreme Court and the legis-Industry, Trade and Commerce. Will the lation now before the House.

Inquiries of the Ministry

Mr. Benson: No, Mr. Speaker, I am very unemployed auto workers in the Oshawa area be given a further hearing with respect to TAB benefits by the board which makes decisions regarding eligibility under this program?

> Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): Yes, Mr. Speaker, but only if new facts can be brought out.

NATIONAL PARKS

SUPREME COURT DECISION UPHOLDING VALIDITY OF PERPETUAL LEASES

Mr. Allen B. Sulatycky (Rocky Mountain): I have a question for the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development. In his absence I will direct it in a gentler form to his Parliamentary Secretary. In light of the Supreme Court of Canada's decision announced just a few minutes before the question period began, upholding the validity of the perpetual leases in the national parks of Canada, can the holders of those leases now be given an assurance that the department will recognize them, and, further, that leaseholders who gave up valid perpetual leases under duress and compulsion from the department will have their leases reinstated and, further, that the Crown will reimburse the people of Waterton Lake, Banff and Jasper for the extremely heavy expense to which they were unnecessarily put?

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear.

Mr. Russell C. Honey (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): As the hon. member has mentioned, the decision of the Supreme Court was released less than an hour ago. I am sure the minister would like to read the reasons for judgment and consider them, and that in due course he will deal with the questions raised by my hon. friend.

Mr. Eldon M. Woolliams (Calgary North): Would the Parliamentary Secretary, after he has read the decision, be prepared to withdraw the bill setting up a Crown corporation and doing what the Supreme Court of Canada says this government and the department cannot do?

Mr. Honey: As I have indicated to the hon. member for Rocky Mountain, the minister will read the reasons for judgment and consider them. If I may express an opinion, I think there is no relationship between the