

which want to keep the Country united.

Our policy, essentially -- and it began under Mr. Pearson's regime--and it continued under mine -- our policy is essentially to say to Quebec-ers:

"You want to be a French speaking province, or society, or geographical entity. That is fine with us. It is just as natural that Quebec operate in French as that Ontario operate in English."

Then we go on to say, "But the Government of Canada is the Government of all Canadians, and it must be able to deal with its citizens in either of these two official languages. And, because of that, we brought in the language policy which compels the Federal government, as it were, to have the capability of dealing with its citizens in either official language."

Now, the difficulty which I was alluding to in my speech yesterday is that these two realities have not been totally accepted by all Canadians.

English Canadians are -- I don't think that, historically, they have been prepared to accept the French fact as something which would permeate the Federal government.

MEMBER OF THE PRESS: I think you sort of misunderstand me.

PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU: I guess I do.