

Inquiries of the Ministry

those estimates considered on Monday. I would be prepared to hear again from hon. gentlemen opposite if they desire to change the order.

Mr. McGrath: This is an urgent question, and perhaps the government house leader could give the matter careful consideration and consider bringing forward the estimates of the Department of Fisheries tomorrow.

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale): Perhaps the hon. member might like to address himself to his own house leader on this question.

Mr. McGrath: I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker. I suggest to the Prime Minister that the house could at least take time to address itself to this crisis that is developing.

AIR CANADA**MEETING WITH DELEGATION RESPECTING WINNIPEG MAINTENANCE BASE**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Prime Minister. In view of the fact that at 5.30 this afternoon he is to meet a delegation of 50 or so men and women from Manitoba who are here with regard to the retention of the Air Canada maintenance base at Winnipeg, may I ask the Prime Minister a question on this subject? My question is this. Has a decision on this matter already been taken, or will the Prime Minister and those who are with him give serious and open consideration to the representations that will be made to the government this afternoon?

Right Hon. P.-E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): I believe it has been stated, Mr. Speaker, that any decision on this would be made and announced in the coming days after today's meeting.

Hon. W. G. Dinsdale (Brandon-Souris): I have a supplementary question for the Prime Minister, Mr. Speaker. Can the Prime Minister assure the house that in coming to this very important decision the principle of assistance in regional development will be of paramount importance before any final decision is made?

Mr. Trudeau: Yes, Mr. Speaker, questions of regional development have paramount importance in any decisions made by this government.

Mr. Thomas M. Bell (Saint John-Lancaster): May I ask the Prime Minister, with respect to
[Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale).]

this whole roster system, where the Minister of Transport is today, on a day which is very important to his department? May I also ask the Prime Minister—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member for Shefford.

Mr. Warren Allmand (Notre-Dame-de-Grâce): May I ask a supplementary question of the Prime Minister. Will he give full consideration to the recommendation of the royal commission on this subject during his consideration of it, before a decision is made?

[Translation]

AIRPORTS**MONTREAL—REQUEST FOR STATEMENT ON EXPANSION PLANS**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Gilbert Rondeau (Shefford): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct my question to the right hon. Prime Minister.

In view of the fact that he is telling us about the significance of area development and transportation, could the right hon. Prime Minister tell this house today, in the absence of the Minister of Transport what are the important investments which have been planned and announced, concerning the Dorval air terminal, in Montreal?

Mr. Speaker: I would suggest to the hon. member that the information involved in his question should rather be given in the form of a statement on motions. If the hon. member wishes to follow up his question, he may give me notice for discussion at the time of adjournment.

[Translation]

CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION**MONTREAL—INQUIRY AS TO CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDING**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Georges Valade (Sainte-Marie): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Secretary of State.

In reply to a question I asked him on November 7 last, the Secretary of State assured the house that the work on Place Radio-Canada, in Montreal, would start as scheduled on December 1, and that he did not expect any further delay. Since the work has not started yet, would the hon. Secretary of State tell us exactly on what date the