

## THE SENATE

Thursday, February 28, 1974

The Senate met at 2 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.  
Prayers.

### LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT REPORT OF LIBRARIAN TABLED

**The Hon. the Speaker:** Honourable senators, I have the honour to table the report of the Parliamentary Librarian to the Second Session of the Twenty-ninth Parliament, 1974.

**Hon. Paul Martin:** Honourable senators, I would ask that the report of the Parliamentary Librarian, tabled by the Speaker just now, be printed as an appendix to the *Minutes of the Proceedings of the Senate* of this day and form part of the permanent records of this house.

**The Hon. the Speaker:** Is it agreed, honourable senators?

**Hon. Senators:** Agreed.

### DOCUMENTS TABLED

**Hon. Paul Martin** tabled:

Report of the Department of the Environment for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1973, pursuant to section 7 of the *Department of the Environment Act*, Part I of Chapter 42, Statutes of Canada, 1970-71-72.

Report of the Eastern Rockies Forest Conservation Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1973, pursuant to section 10 of the *Eastern Rocky Mountain Forest Conservation Act*, Chapter 59, Statutes of Canada, 1947.

Report of operations under the *International River Improvements Act* for the year ended December 31, 1973, pursuant to section 10 of the said Act, Chapter I-22, R.S.C., 1970.

Copies of a Statement of the effect of placing cocoa on the import control list, issued by the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce pursuant to section 5 of the *Export and Import Permits Act*, Chapter E-17, as amended by section 3 of Chapter 29 (2nd Supplement), R.S.C., 1970.

Report of the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1973, pursuant to section 8 of the *Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce Act*, Chapter I-11, R.S.C., 1970.

Copies of twenty-five contracts between the Government of Canada and various municipalities in the Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan for the use or employment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, pursuant to section 20(3) of the *Royal Canadian Mounted Police Act*, Chapter R-9, R.S.C., 1970 (English text).

[Translation]

### FRANCOPHONE AFRICA

#### CANADIAN AID—FRANCOPHONE QUESTION—NOTICE OF INQUIRY

**Hon. Jean-Paul Deschatelets:** I wish to give notice that on Tuesday, March 5, I will call the attention of the Senate to Canadian aid to francophone Africa and the francophone question generally.

[English]

**The Hon. the Speaker:** Honourable senators, I understand that the sound is not getting through to the translation booth. I would therefore ask Senator Deschatelets to repeat his Notice of Inquiry in English.

**Hon. Mr. Deschatelets:** Honourable senators, I was simply giving notice that on Tuesday, March 5, I will call the attention of the Senate to Canadian aid to francophone countries in Africa and to the question of "francophonie."

**Hon. Mr. Martin:** Honourable senators, I do not know whether the translation system is working now, but since this is the beginning of a session and since we also had difficulty with the system during the last session, I hope that those in charge will look into the matter. As I say, I do not know if the observations of Senator Deschatelets were translated, but they should have been.

**The Hon. the Speaker:** The translator said that the sound was not reaching the translation booth and so he was not able to give the translation.

● (1410)

### TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS

#### REQUEST OF STATE COUNCIL FOR CLOSER ASSOCIATION WITH CANADA—NOTICE OF INQUIRY

**Hon. Hazen Argue:** Honourable senators, I give notice that on Thursday next, March 7, 1974, I will call the attention of the Senate to the resolution passed unanimously on March 15, 1973, by the State Council of the Turks and Caicos Islands, which reads as follows:

"BE IT RESOLVED AND MADE KNOWN THAT:

The State Council of the Turks and Caicos Islands desires to thank formally the Canadian People and their Government for the considerable help and advice received by these Islands from them in recent years.

This State Council, recognising the urgent need for both long and short term solutions to our present constitutional, financial and economic problems, further resolves that it would welcome additional professional and technical advice from both governmental and non-governmental organisations so that we may benefit from your long and loyal membership of the British Commonwealth.