

Legislation; Criminal Code or Combines Investigation  
Act amendments

7. The Prime Minister, referring to the discussion at the meeting of October 23rd, 1951, felt that consideration might usefully be given to the desirability of establishing a special committee of the House of Commons, or perhaps even a joint Parliamentary committee, for the purpose of considering the interim report on the fixing of resale prices submitted by the Combines Investigation Committee and of reporting on legislation which might be deemed appropriate in the light of the recommendations therein.

8. The Cabinet, after discussion, noted the suggestion by the Prime Minister that a special committee of the House of Commons, or a joint Parliamentary committee, might be established to consider and report on the interim report on the fixing of resale prices submitted by the Committee to Study Combines Legislation and deferred decision pending further consideration at a later meeting.

International Refugee Organization; "hard-core" cases

9. The Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, referring to discussion at the meeting of June 15th, 1951, said that a decision would have to be reached at an early date on the request put forward some time ago by the International Refugee Organization for Canadian assistance in disposing of the remaining "hard-core" problem.

10. The Secretary of State for External Affairs pointed out that, of the 46,711 "hard-core" cases (including the blind, the tubercular, etc.) which had already been settled, 26,675 had been accepted for permanent care by various countries and the remainder resettled by other means. There remained a total of 5,613 "hard-core" cases still to be disposed of before the Organization concluded its operation at the end of this year. The total of 26,675 "hard-core" cases accepted for permanent care could be broken down as follows:

Western Germany	9,165
France	7,354
Israel	5,467
United States	1,637
Austria	902
Denmark	310
Netherlands	282
Sweden	259
Belgium	235
Australia	224
Switzerland	207
United Kingdom	183
Canada	160 (all T.B.)
Other countries	290

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