

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

RECOGNITION OF QUEBEC DELEGATION IN PARIS

On the orders of the day:

[Translation]

Mr. Maurice Côté (Chicoutimi): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Secretary of State for External Affairs. Could he tell the house whether France has unofficially expressed the wish to recognize the Quebec delegation in Paris as the permanent delegation of a sovereign country and whether he will soon accede to that request?

Hon. Paul Martin (Secretary of State for External Affairs): The answer is definitely no, Mr. Speaker.

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ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

ALIEN INFLUENCES IN TERRORIST ACTIVITIES

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Heward Grafftey (Brome-Missisquoi): Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Prime Minister. Has the government taken definite steps in order to investigate whether organized alien influences are behind and have infiltrated terrorist activities within our country?

Mr. Speaker: Order. It does seem to me that this is a question requiring very careful consideration before an answer is given, unless the Prime Minister has already considered the question or received notice of it.

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): I was going to say, Mr. Speaker, that I would be very glad to look into that matter.

NORTHERN AFFAIRS

QUEBEC—ADMINISTRATION OF ESKIMO AFFAIRS

On the orders of the day:

[Translation]

Hon. Paul Martineau (Pontiac-Témiscamingue): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Prime Minister.

In view of the failure of the Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources in his negotiations with the province of Quebec as regards the transfer of jurisdiction over the Eskimos, has the government given consideration to the appointment of another federal negotiator?

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Inquiries of the Ministry

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SOCIAL INSURANCE

INQUIRY AS TO CONTINUATION OF ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN

On the orders of the day:

Mr. A. D. Hales (Wellington South): I should like to address a question to the Minister of Labour. Has the minister taken any steps to withdraw or cancel the extravagant advertising campaign to create the impression that registration for social security is the obligation of everyone?

Hon. A. J. MacEachen (Minister of Labour): No, Mr. Speaker, I have taken no steps to alter the advertising in any way.

HOUSING

ASSISTANCE BY C.M.H.C. TO POINT EDWARD NAVAL BASE EMPLOYEES

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Robert Muir (Cape Breton North and Victoria): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the minister who reports for Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation. According to press and radio reports special measures are being taken by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation to assist the unemployed in Elliot Lake, in the riding of Algoma East which is represented by the Prime Minister. Will the same assistance be provided to the workers at the Point Edward naval base in my constituency who have been thrown out of work by the actions of this government?

May I also ask the Prime Minister if he would devote just a fraction of his time to this problem, rather than spending it in playing around with flags?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Would the hon. member put the first part of his question on the order paper?

Mr. Muir (Cape Breton North and Victoria): I am sorry, sir, but I did not hear you.

Mr. Speaker: If I remember the hon. member's question correctly it was in three parts. The last two paragraphs were opinions, but the first question, it seems to me, is one which should be put on the order paper.

Mr. Muir (Cape Breton North and Victoria): With all due respect, Mr. Speaker, I asked a direct question of the minister who reports to the house for Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation. I asked him to confirm reports that something is going to be done for those