

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

the Minister of Transport. In view of the fact that officials of the city of Toronto have referred to the recommendations of the task force on public housing and urban renewal as "disastrous" and the social planning council of Toronto called them "kindergarten arithmetic", is it the intention of the minister—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. The hon. member should ask a question.

**Mr. Gilbert:** —is it the intention of the minister to call to Ottawa these officials to discuss the recommendations with him?

**Mr. Hellyer:** Mr. Speaker, I would first like to recommend to them that they do the kind of research which is necessary in order to evaluate some of the projects presently in place. After they have done that, we can have a discussion as to how we can provide the best accommodation for people of low incomes, the best value economically, but more important the best value in so far as sociological and psychological benefit to the people being served is concerned.

**Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition):** A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. I wonder whether the Minister of Transport thinks there is any real possibility that his recommendations on housing will be any more illuminating than his answer to my question.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. Is the hon. member for Winnipeg North rising on a supplementary question?

**Mr. David Orlikow (Winnipeg North):** Yes, Mr. Speaker. I should like to ask the minister a supplementary question. Will plans which have been completed or almost completed by municipalities, in co-operation with Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, with regard to urban renewal and public housing be permitted to proceed in the very near future, or is there an indefinite freeze—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. It is my recollection that a similar question has been asked at least once in the last few days and replied to by the minister.

**DRUGS****L.S.D.—INVESTIGATION BY R.C.M.P. INTO ILLEGAL IMPORTATION**

**Mr. Stan Schumacher (Palliser):** Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Solicitor General. In light of the testimony given in a London, England, court hearing yesterday of

a charge against Michael Wool-Lewis, is the R.C.M.P. investigating the suggestion of complicity between Canadian businessmen and United States criminal organizations to transport l.s.d. to Canada from Europe?

**Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General):** Mr. Speaker, it is the practice of the R.C.M.P. to co-operate quite closely with authorities in other countries in an attempt to prevent effectively the illegal importation of certain deleterious drugs and related substances into Canada. I would not want to give any detail in a particular case as to the state of investigation, unless it had come to a conclusion and there was something I could disclose properly at that time.

**Mr. Schumacher:** A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Will the Solicitor General undertake to advise the house of any other evidence of the involvement of national or international criminal organizations in the trafficking of l.s.d.?

**Mr. McIlraith:** I will undertake to look at the question and its implications and bring forward an answer to it.

[*Translation*]

**DOMINION-PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE****ASSOCIATION OF FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENTARIANS**

**Mr. Gérald Laniel (Beauharnois):** Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the Prime Minister a supplementary question.

Would he take advantage of the federal-provincial conference to ascertain what are the feelings of the provincial premiers toward a possible Canadian association of federal and provincial parliamentarians, of which the main purpose would be the progress of our federalism and through which there would be a continued dialogue between the representatives themselves, in addition to that which exists at the ministerial and committee of officials level?

**Right Hon. P.-E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** That idea appeals greatly to me, Mr. Speaker. I cannot promise to talk about it at the conference itself, since it is not an item on the agenda, but I shall certainly undertake to do it at the two private receptions and in private conversations I will have with the provincial premiers. I thank the hon. member for having suggested the idea.