

1 will take place.

2 MR. ANDERSON: It sounds as though there is going to  
3 be no very substantial Constitutional change until after  
4 the referendum.

5 What is your strategy between now and the  
6 referendum?

7 What are you going to be speaking to?

8 MINISTER LALONDE: Well, first of all: I am not  
9 saying that there will not be substantial changes between  
10 now and the referendum. I think we will put forward pro-  
11 posals during the course of the present year--to Parliament  
12 and the people of Canada--which will indicate that the Federal  
13 Government is not frozen in its status quo; that we have  
14 ideas for change; and that we are ready and willing to  
15 make changes in the areas where we can make changes, alone.  
16 And this will be an indication, quite clearly, to the people  
17 of Quebec, as well as to the people of the rest of Canada,  
18 that we, as a Federal Government, are ready to sit down  
19 and work out a new Constitutional arrangement.

20 That would be the first step.

21 Obviously, the second step requires the consensus  
22 and the support of the Provinces; and one of the large  
23 partners -- which is Quebec -- is not willing to do it now.  
24 We have to be at least ready -- short of people, and the  
25 people of Quebec in particular -- to show that we are not