

delegation to the funeral of the late Prime Minister "Tom" Adams on Saturday next, and whether in that delegation will be included one of our distinguished colleagues, Senator Anne Cools, who comes from Barbados and who had a role to play in the formation of responsible government in that country.

Hon. Duff Roblin (Leader of the Government): I appreciate my honourable friend's reference to Senator Cools, because that is a matter that should be noted by this chamber.

The Prime Minister will not be leading such a delegation because at that time he will be in Quebec City, either meeting with President Reagan or making arrangements for that meeting. So, regrettably, he will be unable to attend.

I do not know whether, in fact, there will be a Canadian delegation to the funeral, but I will find that out, and if there is an opportunity to adopt my honourable friend's suggestion, I will look into it.

● (1410)

Senator Haidasz: May I ask the Leader of the Government in the Senate to impress upon his government the need to send a Canadian delegation to the funeral of the late Right Honourable "Tom" Adams as Barbados is one of our sister Commonwealth countries?

Senator Roblin: I think it is a valuable suggestion. I have just heard, via the grapevine, that there may well be a delegation of that kind. If there is, I will see that my honourable friend's suggestion is considered.

CANADA-UNITED STATES RELATIONS

SUMMIT MEETING IN QUEBEC CITY—AGENDA

Hon. Ian Sinclair: Honourable senators, the Leader of the Government in the Senate has indicated that the Prime Minister will be attending an important meeting with the President of the United States in Quebec this coming weekend. In view of the preparations that have been made, I am sure that honourable senators are concerned with the agenda for that very important meeting. Can the government leader enlighten us on the subject matter of that agenda?

Hon. Duff Roblin (Leader of the Government): Honourable senators, I have not received a copy of the agenda for that meeting, and I have to confess that I do not expect to receive one at the present time. Undoubtedly, it will be made available in due course, but I do not have that information now.

TRADE POLICY

Hon. Ian Sinclair: I should like to ask a supplementary question. In questions that have arisen concerning trade and the relationship of the United States dollar to the Canadian dollar and its effect on trade, requests have been made to the Leader of the Government in the Senate to bring the importance of this matter to the attention of the distinguished Prime Minister of our country. Can he enlighten us on what kind of reaction he got when he did that?

[Senator Haidasz.]

Hon. Duff Roblin (Leader of the Government): I am afraid I cannot reply to the last part of my honourable friend's question, but I can tell him that the Prime Minister is well aware of the critical importance of the international relationship between Canada and the United States, particularly with regard to trade. The problems we are facing, in the rising current of protectionist sentiment in that country, have already seriously impinged upon our export possibilities to the United States. I can assure my honourable friend that while I cannot describe to him the facial expression or, indeed, pass on the comment of the Prime Minister when faced with this problem, I can assure him that he takes it with the utmost seriousness.

EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION

Hon. Ian Sinclair: I have a further question. Earlier this month the *Globe and Mail*, which is well known to my friend, in its lead editorial made reference to the sad state of the Canadian government's reaction to the action of the United States courts in support of the grand jury in Florida on the question of extraterritoriality in relation to the Bank of Nova Scotia. In view of the fact that that distinguished paper, the *Globe and Mail*, took such a strong stand and suggested that Mr. Mulroney might have an opportunity in Quebec, I wonder if that lead editorial was brought to the attention of the distinguished Prime Minister.

Hon. Duff Roblin (Leader of the Government): My honourable friend already knows the answer to that question because I gave it to him personally a few days ago—namely, that this extraterritoriality problem with respect to legal matters of the kind he mentioned between the United States and Canada was under review. I believe I also told him that not only was it under review but we also expected to see some concrete proposals come forward in order to place that matter in a more satisfactory light insofar as Canadians are concerned and, indeed, insofar as Americans are concerned. I can repeat that assurance today.

Senator Sinclair: Honourable senators, although that answer may have been well received by many people, the question went even further. It was: What steps are being initiated for a legislative remission of the \$1.8 million penalty that was slapped on a very distinguished Canadian institution? Many people wonder what the reaction would have been if the situation had been reversed and Canada had slapped a \$1.8 million "hit"—if I may use that word—on, say, the Bank of America.

Senator Roblin: I believe my friend is asking me a question of law which I am not competent to answer. I would also point out that such questions of law are not dealt with in Question Period.

I can only say that one has to abide by the law as it happens to be at the particular moment in time, whether in Canada or in the United States.

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Leader of the Opposition): Honourable senators, the point I should like to raise with the Leader of the Government in the Senate is: The United States