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I have never believed that Canada would be immune to that type of -- you are talking about the events of yesterday?

MEMBER OF THE PRESS: Yes, sir. Yes, sir.

MINISTER LALONDE: I have never believed that Canada would, necessarily, be immune from this type of event.

MEMBER OF THE PRESS: Then why should Canada be so vulnerable?

MINISTER LALONDE: We are a pretty open Society.

And being in Government, we have so little secrets

that I was wondering what they were after!

[Laughter]

But it is quite understandable that they would attempt -- that another Country would attempt to infiltrate a Country like ours. We are close to the United States. But I am not saying that there are more attempts at it in Canada than there are in other Countries. I think the experience we have seen in a number of European Countries, over the last few years, would tend to indicate that Canada may not be one that is worse, in that respect, or more exposed, in that respect, than other Countries.

You know, maybe they were looking for Satellite debris!

[Laughter]