

Mr. Nesbitt: That does not answer the question at all.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Obviously many members wish to ask supplementary questions. The hon. member for Oxford will be given the first opportunity.

Mr. Nesbitt: Have members of terrorist organizations in Quebec and other parts of Canada been trained in Algeria or Cuba? Surely the minister can answer that question.

Mr. Sharp: The answer, Mr. Speaker, is that they have not told us. I really do not know.

Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Prince Albert): In view of the answer just given by the minister, I suggest that he communicate with the Minister of Manpower and Immigration who had full information in this regard and told the Canadian people so several weeks ago.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

CANADA—CUBA EXTRADITION ARRANGEMENTS

Mr. Eldon M. Woolliams (Calgary North): A few days ago I directed a question to the Minister of Justice. He is in the House today. I asked him to advise the House whether there were any extradition arrangements between Cuba and Canada for crimes of this nature similar to the arrangements between Canada and the United States.

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice): Mr. Speaker, a treaty was entered into by the United Kingdom and the government of Cuba on October 3, 1904, providing for extradition arrangements between Canada and Cuba. The government of Canada takes the position that this treaty between Canada and Cuba is still in force.

An hon. Member: Then bring them back.

Mr. Woolliams: I do not know what deal was made, but has any thought been given to negotiations with Cuba for extradition of these three people in particular or any others?

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): As I understand it, Mr. Speaker, there are no such arrangements. If the government of Canada guaranteed safe passage of the men concerned to Cuba, I take it the government would have no intention of applying for extradition under that treaty.

Mr. Woolliams: The Minister of Justice says he takes it that the government has no intention. I ask him if the government has any intention of making such an application?

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): No, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Diefenbaker: On a question of privilege, Mr. Speaker, a few moments ago I directed a question to the government. Because it is difficult to follow the ministers in their meanderings from portfolio to portfolio, I mentioned the Minister of Manpower and Immigration when I meant the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion.

Inquiries of the Ministry

Mr. R. N. Thompson (Red Deer): I have a supplementary question for the Secretary of State for External Affairs. Is the minister not aware that there were broadcasts from Radio Havana—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

PAYMENT FOR UPKEEP OF KIDNAPPERS WHO WENT TO CUBA

Mr. A. D. Hales (Wellington): I will be more specific in my supplementary question to the Secretary of State for External Affairs. Has Canada made any arrangements to pay for the upkeep of the kidnappers who went to Cuba?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): No, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: The Chair will recognize one last supplementary on this subject.

[*Translation*]

AGREEMENT WITH CUBA RESPECTING LENGTH OF STAY OF KIDNAPPERS

Mr. Roch La Salle (Joliette): Mr. Speaker, I want to direct a supplementary question to the hon. Secretary of State for External Affairs.

Could he say whether there was an agreement between the Cuban and Canadian governments on the length of time the terrorists will have to spend in Cuba, and whether the Canadian government made quite sure that Cuban authorities would not be able to bring them back to Canada or to let them go to another place from which they would come back to this country?

[*English*]

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): If these kidnappers return to Canada, Mr. Speaker, they will be prosecuted for kidnapping, a very serious crime. It is our hope that they will never return.

Mr. McCleave: A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I suggest to the hon. member that perhaps we might return to him after the hon. member for Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands has asked his question.

Mr. McCleave: On a question of privilege, I think I have as much right to be recognized by the Chair as any other member.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member for Halifax-East Hants will recognize that according to the rules the Chair has the discretion to decide when we should go on to another subject. We have had quite a few supplementaries. I suggest that an opportunity be given to the hon. member for Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands and a member of the Creditiste party to ask their questions. If it is the wish of a number of other members of the Official Opposition, we will return to this subject.