

1 say "Yes". As our Federal System is decentralized, we have
2 very different problems--according to the Regions.

3 Quebec is a Province where the large majority --
4 85% of its population -- is French; and I think the
5 Provincial Government should have that kind of freedom
6 of action, and it is up to them to do it, realizing that
7 it has a cost; and that you can go as far as you want --
8 but the marginal costs of what you are doing start increas-
9 ing past a certain stage. But that is the rule of Democracy--
10 and I don't foresee the Federal Government being, in that
11 sense, the "Big Brother" for everything.

12 There is a lot, in the current Language Legislation
13 in Quebec, which should be the responsibility of the
14 Provincial Government. Let the people of Quebec decide
15 whether or not they want to pay that kind of a cost, and
16 want to labor with those kinds of difficulties.

17 I don't foresee the Federal Government trying to
18 eliminate the rights of Provinces to legislate in the area
19 of private business operations.

20 MR. TATU: In the next Constitution -- if there
21 is one -- would you accept an extension of the fact that
22 Quebec, for example, has Foreign Relations--at a certain
23 level--with foreign Countries. For example, France, and
24 French-speaking Countries?

25 Could you extend that to other Provinces, if