

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

High Commissioner here and the British government direct on this matter. As my hon. friend knows, the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations was in Salisbury visiting the governor for a few days. He has returned to London with certain suggestions made by the de facto government in Salisbury, apparently, through the governor. I understand that the Undersecretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, as my hon. friend has mentioned, will be visiting Washington and Ottawa. I expect to see him when he arrives Friday morning, when he will be bringing the views of the United Kingdom government on the question, presumably, of selective mandatory sanctions which might be put forward by the British government to the United Nations in case the talks with the Rhodesian government in Salisbury finally break down. That is all I think I can say at the moment.

**Mr. T. C. Douglas (Burnaby-Coquitlam):** A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. I should like to ask the right hon. Prime Minister this question. Assuming that the talks break down, am I right in assuming that the Canadian government will support economic sanctions under article 7 of the United Nations charter?

**Mr. Pearson:** Mr. Speaker, we have already stated that in the event talks break down and the United Kingdom government produces a resolution at the United Nations for selective mandatory sanctions, after discussion with the British and other commonwealth governments, we would support that resolution.

[*Translation*]

**Mr. Caouette:** I have a supplementary question, Mr. Speaker.

The right hon. Prime Minister, as he has just stated, is very well aware of the Rhodesian situation. However, when the right hon. prime minister there, Mr. Ian Smith, decides to disregard both the commonwealth of nations and Canada, is the right hon. Prime Minister of Canada in a position to say whether Canada will approve of coercive action against the Smith government or whether Canada is getting ready to recognize what Mr. Smith is now doing in Rhodesia?

[*English*]

**Mr. Pearson:** Our position has been made quite clear, that we do not accept the legitimacy of what my hon. friend calls "the Smith

government" in Salisbury, and we have already joined other Commonwealth governments in taking economic action against that government through voluntary sanctions. If the matter of UN economic sanctions comes before that body, we would support them, as I have just indicated, if they were on a satisfactory selective basis.

**AIR POLLUTION****CANADIAN DISTRIBUTION OF AUTOMOTIVE SAFETY DEVICES**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Heward Grafftey (Brome-Missisquoi):** Mr. Speaker, my question is addressed to the Minister of National Health and Welfare. In the last few days a near crisis situation arose in many eastern seaboard cities because of smog and air pollution. One Canadian city was mentioned in the news dispatches. Last week the minister said he would study and answer my question relating to anti-fume devices in 1968 cars. Can he now inform the house whether or not Canadians will enjoy the same protection in 1968 as will United States citizens in this regard?

**Hon. A. J. MacEachen (Minister of National Health and Welfare):** Mr. Speaker, according to the information which was made available to officials of my department by the manufacturers, the safety devices contemplated will be available for cars for Canadian distribution.

**Mr. Grafftey:** On a supplementary question: Will all cars made in or imported to Canada be equipped with these anti-fume devices, and are Canadians being protected solely because of United States federal government initiative in this regard or because the Canadian government has passed similar regulations?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. I wonder whether the second question is in order.

**Mr. Grafftey:** I have a further supplementary, Mr. Speaker. In this regard do the Canadian people have to wait on United States initiative and regulations for protection?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I think the supplementary question is argumentative.

**PUBLIC SERVICE****INTERVENTION BY JUDGE MONTPETTIT IN WAGE NEGOTIATIONS**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Paul Tardif (Russell):** Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the President of the Treasury Board.