

1 I said -- not only in the next year, but in the next decade  
2 -- I don't see it. I just don't see it!

3 MEMBER OF THE PRESS: Mr. Minister, how much of a  
4 boost did Levesque get from the reception he had in Paris?

5 MINISTER LALONDE: I think it was a good boost --  
6 certainly a good emotional boost -- inside of Quebec. There  
7 was a lot of publicity about it. He got a lot of publicity  
8 around the world about it, I suppose.

9 But inside of Quebec, I would not say that this  
10 has, you know, pushed the Separatist Movement much further  
11 ahead than it did before.

12 What these things tend to do is confirm those  
13 who are in opposition even more; and those who are in support  
14 even more. It accents the polarization; but it does not seem  
15 to have -- from the surveys I have seen -- generated any  
16 appreciable shift in public opinion.

17 MEMBER OF THE PRESS: Mr. Minister, did the  
18 Canadian Government learn something from Belgium or, maybe,  
19 from Switzerland -- Belgium being bi-lingual and Switzerland  
20 being tri-lingual. Did they learn something from those  
21 parts?

22 MINISTER LALONDE: We have studied the Belgian  
23 system very extensively, particularly when we had, during  
24 the 1960's, the Royal Commission on Bi-Lingualism and Bi-  
25 Culturism. The Belgian system was extensively studied, but