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that it is a very small, faltering step towards what we may hope will eventually be complete international control of atomic materials; the second ground is that it is also one step, I hope, in the direction of curbing the misuse of atomic energy. For those two reasons, as I say, we are glad that this has been introduced but we do feel that there should have been an opportunity for us to find out just what lay behind the formal document; just what we could expect in the way of international control and international co-operation; just what Canada was being committed to and what we could expect to come out of it.

I feel that it is very useful as it is at present; it lays out the terms under which the signatory powers are attempting, at any rate, to control the dangers inherent in the use of atomic energy; it lays out at least partly the approach that should be made to the supply of atomic materials to those nations of the world which need them. We welcome it also because I think it may be said that this is in line with what must be an ever-increasing development throughout the world.

I have never been among those who imagine that it would be possible at any time for one to sit down and establish anything that might be called a world government by

writing a constitution on a piece of paper. I have always felt that the world will have to move carefully step by step in very much the same direction in which we are now moving through the statute of the atomic energy agency; that is, the divesting of sovereignty by signatory nations over essential materials required for the general human welfare. I would hope that this is merely the first of the statutes that will be made within my lifetime and certainly if not within mine then within the lifetime of my children. May I move the adjournment?

**Mr. Harris:** Would it be possible for us to complete this business before we adjourn?

**Mr. Green:** We have another speaker.

**Mr. Cameron (Nanaimo):** I have not finished all I have to say and I note that the hon. member for St. Paul's also wishes to speak on this matter.

On motion of Mr. Cameron (Nanaimo) the debate was adjourned.

**BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE**

**Mr. Harris:** Interim supply tomorrow.

At ten o'clock the house adjourned, without question put, pursuant to standing order.