to end up with three models of helicopters which are to be produced in Canada.

CHOICE OF MIRABEL AS PLANT SITE

Hon. Flora MacDonald (Kingston and the Islands): Mr. Speaker, my question is also directed to the Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion. It concerns the pressures which were brought to bear by the federal Government to have Bell Helicopter located at Mirabel, even though the company preferred to locate in Kingston, Peterborough, or the Eastern Townships. In that regard, I want to mention that a high ranking public servant said to the Kingston *Whig-Standard*, and I quote:

"Lalonde told Lumley two things: 'First you've got millions of dollars and, second, it's got to be Mirabel.' "

"Lalonde made it clear that it would be Mirabel, or there would be no money at all".

Would the Minister tell the House why, when other communities were being considered by Bell Helicopter, did he so meekly accept that ultimatum from the Minister of Finance? Or is this part and parcel of the Government's ongoing attempt to cover up the fiasco of Mirabel?

Hon. Ed Lumley (Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion): First of all, Mr. Speaker, if the Hon. Member believes everything that is in that story, she is more naive than I have given her credit for in the past. Second, I have never read a more inaccurate series of articles in my whole life than the articles which appeared in the Hon. Member's hometown paper. Third, Mr. Speaker, I would be more than happy to sit down with the Hon. Member and discuss the details of that particular transaction.

As I indicated to the reporter of that paper, I believe if she looks at one of those articles she will see that the Chairman of the Board of Bell Helicopter—who should know better than anyone else in the world—said that he made the final decision as to which location he would choose. It was the Chairman of Bell Helicopter, Mr. Speaker, not the Government of Canada.

Miss MacDonald: Mr. Speaker, I may be naive, but I am not naive enough to believe these protestations of the Minister, not when there have been so many other stories to the contrary.

COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS INQUIRY

Hon. Flora MacDonald (Kingston and the Islands): If the Minister is so certain of the decision which was made, can he tell me if he has any proof? Was there any cost-benefit study or analysis done to show that locating Bell Helicopter at Mirabel would be more economically beneficial to Canada, a better deal for Canada, than if it were located in eastern Quebec or eastern Ontario? And if he has such documentation, which I very much doubt, would he be prepared to table it?

Hon. Ed Lumley (Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion): First, Mr. Speaker, I am very disappointed in the Hon. Member and her Conservative colleagues. I would have thought they would have rejoiced in the fact that Canada obtained 4,000 new jobs, high-tech jobs, 20-year jobs. We beat every other country in the world and got a major helicopter facility here in Canada.

An Hon. Member: Right on.

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Lumley: Based on her previous questions, I can understand the fact that it is positive news and is not something which the Hon. Member wants to hear. We did a cost-benefit analysis, Mr. Speaker, with respect to whether it is beneficial for Canada. It is very beneficial for Canada. We are very proud that we have the major job-creation project in our country.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

CIA FUNDING OF MONTREAL BRAINWASHING EXPERIMENTS—CANADIAN REPRESENTATIONS

Mr. David Orlikow (Winnipeg North): Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct a question to the Secretary of State for External Affairs. In a meeting with officials of his Department a few days ago I was assured that his Department would make representations to the U.S. State Department on behalf of the nine Canadians who suffered grievously as a result of CIA funded brainwashing experiments conducted at the Allan Memorial Institute in Montreal. Have such representations been made to the U.S. Government? If so, what was the response? If not, when will those representations be made?

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Deputy Prime Minister and Secretary of State for External Affairs): Mr. Speaker, as the Hon. Member knows I am quite familiar with this particular problem having discussed it with him on more than one occasion. I have instructed officials of the Department to pay particular attention to this problem with a view to seeking a resolution. We have already made representations to the State Department. As late as last August Ambassador Gotlieb had consultations, and further consultations will be held. We are exploring various methods by which we can help the persons so adversely affected by the experiments conducted in Montreal with the support of the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency.

POSSIBILITY OF INTERNATIONAL COURT PROCEEDINGS

Mr. David Orlikow (Winnipeg North): Mr. Speaker, in their meeting with me, representatives from External Affaires said the Department has now come to the conclusion that the actions of the CIA in Montreal were a violation of international law. They suggested that if no settlement were reached with