

television and we look forward to obtaining further information as time goes on.

**Mr. Lewis:** In view of the fact that according to press reports the letter of intent signed by Premier Loughheed and Syncrude makes the arrangement conditional on the obtaining of such exemptions from the federal government, will the minister assure the House that the interests of the Canadian consumer as to supply and price will be protected and that exemption from the two-price system or from export controls will not be granted in the Syncrude situation?

**Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale):** I think I would have to know more about the project. The fact remains that both in terms of income taxation and in terms of protecting the Canadian market the responsibility does lie upon the government to put the interest of Canadians first, as indicated in the National Energy Board Act.

**Mr. Lewis:** In view of the fact that the minister has told the House there will be legislation introduced to deal with some of the policies announced on September 4 or 13—I forget the precise date—and in view of the fact that the request of the oil corporations and the Conservative premier of Alberta would hypothecate the oil of the Athabasca tar sands to the United States until such time as Canadian prices are equal to or higher than United States prices, may I ask the minister whether he can assure the House that the legislation to be introduced will not exempt any part of the multinational oil industry from the requirements?

**Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale):** I really would not like to anticipate the legislation. Perhaps I could regard the hon. member's question as a representation.

**Mr. Lewis:** And a strong one.

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[Translation]

#### AIRPORTS

##### STE.-SCHOLASTIQUE—POSSIBLE REOPENING OF EXPROPRIATION CASES

**Mr. René Matte (Champlain):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the hon. Minister of Public Works.

Does the hon. minister intend to reopen the files of expropriated people in Ste.-Scholastique so as to deal with them the same way he did with Pickering owners?

**Hon. Jean-Eudes Dubé (Minister of Public Works):** Mr. Speaker, I do not intend to reopen these files because I am satisfied that expropriated people in Ste.-Scholastique have obtained the same justice as will Pickering residents. However, I have agreed to receive in my office next week five spokesmen for the expropriated people. I am sure we can convince these people that they have been fairly treated. However, if there are points in their favour which have been overlooked, I shall be pleased to consider them with justice and an open mind.

#### Oral Questions

##### STE.-SCHOLASTIQUE—ALLEGED BLACKMAILING BY GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES RESPECTING EXPROPRIATION

**Mr. Gilbert Rondeau (Shefford):** Mr. Speaker, on a supplementary.

Does the Minister of Public Works intend to take the necessary steps to prevent his officials from blackmailing the expropriated owners of Ste.-Scholastique who are presently under his department's pressure?

**Hon. Jean-Eudes Dubé (Minister of Public Works):** Mr. Speaker, I am under the impression that the blackmail is not applied by officials but by certain representatives of the people who are trying to stir up part of the people against the government.

**Mr. André Fortin (Lotbinière):** Mr. Speaker . . .

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. Is the hon. member for Lotbinière raising a point of order or is he asking a supplementary question?

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

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I said, a moment ago, that we were trying to complete the first series of questions, which we have now done. We will come back to this question later. I note that the hon. member for Argenteuil-Deux-Montagnes and others wish to ask supplementary questions. We will now come back to the subject involved in the first question.

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The hon. member for St. John's East I believe has a supplementary to the first question.

**Mr. James A. McGrath (St. John's East):** Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs who is momentarily out of the House. If Your Honour will kindly take this into account I shall resume my seat.

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#### ENERGY

##### TAR SANDS OIL—REQUEST FOR ANALYSIS OF ALL EVIDENCE BEFORE DECIDING WHETHER TWO-PRICE SYSTEM AND EXPORT CONTROLS SHOULD APPLY

**Mr. Eldon M. Woolliams (Calgary North):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. In light of the question by the hon. member for York South and the fact that many thousands of jobs are being developed in Alberta by the Athabasca tar sands project, as the minister knows, and also in light of the fact it has operated in the red to date, will the minister make certain that all the evidence will be analysed before following the suggestion of the hon. member for York South who seems to want to kill development not only in Alberta but elsewhere?