

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

**Mr. Marshall:** A supplementary question. In view of the action taken by the United States to prohibit fish imports from countries whose fishing operations diminish the effectiveness of international conservation programs, will the minister advise if Canada will be taking like action against these countries?

**Mr. Sharp:** I will take the suggestion under consideration, Mr. Speaker.

## ATLANTIC SALMON—POSSIBLE INCLUSION IN TREATY WITH DENMARK—REQUEST FOR TABLING OF DOCUMENTS

**Mr. John Lundrigan (Gander-Twillingate):** A supplementary question. Can the minister indicate whether the present discussions between Denmark and Canada involving the signing of a treaty have any reference to the present salmon fishing on the high seas? Also, will the minister assume his responsibility and table the documentation with regard to that particular treaty?

**Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs):** Mr. Speaker, my understanding of the treaty that has been initiated by the officials is that it deals with the phasing out of fishing operations in Canadian waters.

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[Translation]

## INQUIRY OF THE MINISTRY

**Mr. Roch La Salle (Joliette):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Solicitor General.

Since a year ago, Mr. Geoffroy, a notary of Saint-Jean-de-Matha was given a life sentence for having killed his wife and since he was authorized to make a short wedding trip but did not return to the fold last night, could the Solicitor General tell us when we will again see the newly-weds?

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## SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

## GOVERNMENT POLICY ON RESEARCH BY FOREIGN SUBSIDIARIES

**Hon. J. A. MacLean (Malpeque):** I would like to address a question to the Minister of State for Science and Technology. In light of the conclusion of a recent study of the Science Council of Canada on foreign investment that United States subsidiaries in Canada are restricted in their research and development, what new action is the government taking to require or encourage foreign owned subsidiaries to do more or at least a fair share of their research and development in Canada?

**Hon. Alastair Gillespie (Minister of State for Science and Technology):** Mr. Speaker, when the Leader of the Opposition asked a similar question last week, I stated I was studying the report of the Science Council and would be making recommendations to my colleagues in due course.

[Mr. Sharp.]

## EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

## VIET NAM—INCREASED BOMBING BY UNITED STATES—GOVERNMENT ACTION

**Mr. Andrew Brewin (Greenwood):** My question is for the Secretary of State for External Affairs. Will the government express its regret at the serious escalation of the United States air strikes in North Viet Nam and the use of a monstrous weapon which is said to kill everything within 3,000 feet?

**Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs):** Mr. Speaker, I am not sure about the facts. Perhaps the hon. member is clearer than I am about the device that has been described in the newspapers today. In reply to his first question, I can say that we have publicly stated in the past that we condemn any action that may widen the war in Indo-China. I have no hesitation in again saying this with respect to the bombing operations in North Viet Nam.

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## TRANSPORT

## MARITIME PROVINCES—POSSIBLE INCREASE IN CHARGES RESULTING FROM DARLING REPORT—GOVERNMENT ACTION

**Mr. Robert C. Coates (Cumberland-Colchester North):** My question is for the Minister of Transport. The minister has been receiving representations from various groups of individuals with regard to proposed increases and transportation costs in the Maritime Provinces early in the new year. Can the minister inform the House what action he has taken to date with regard to these representations?

**Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport):** Mr. Speaker, I am afraid that offhand I cannot relate the hon. member's question directly to representations. Is the hon. member referring to some railway rate increase? Is this specifically what he is seeking?

**Mr. Coates:** Mr. Speaker, I am referring to increases in demurrage charges and other things to take effect as a result of the Darling report early in the new year.

**Mr. Jamieson:** Here again, I have to say there has been no decision with regard to implementation of the Darling report. If any such action is contemplated, it is entirely separate from that. Perhaps the hon. member will be good enough to give me the details and I will look into them if, in fact, they have not been looked into already.

**Mr. Coates:** For clarification purposes, I wrote the minister and he sent me a reply, which he signed. He indicated that there was a committee in his office which was looking into that. I wonder if he will check into this with the committee.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please.