

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

He has, however, made speeches, as I have myself, calling attention to the problems arising from the fact that organized crime syndicates are showing an increased interest in setting up operations in Canada. His speeches of October 2, 1961 to the international association of chiefs of police in Montreal, and of November 6, 1961 to the Canadian club of Toronto; and my speech of October 4, 1961 to the international association of chiefs of police in Montreal, are an accurate reflection of official views on this matter, which are there outlined in some detail and in proper perspective.

I should like to emphasize that the heads of law enforcement agencies in Canada are very much alive to this problem and have held several exploratory meetings with a view to co-ordinating their efforts in this connection and discussing measures which can be taken to safeguard the public interest. These meetings have been attended by the directors and chiefs of several police forces in the provinces of Quebec and Ontario, as well as the heads of the provincial police forces in those provinces. Commissioner Harvison has attended as head of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

**Hon. Paul Hellyer (Trinity):** A supplementary question. Can the minister say whether he plans to introduce any legislation at this session of parliament which would assist the police in controlling this matter before the syndicates become entrenched?

**Mr. Fulton:** I have nothing to add to the reply I just gave.

**TRADE****CUBA—REPORTED DISCUSSION IN NATO COUNCIL**

On the orders of the day:

**Hon. Paul Martin (Essex East):** Mr. Speaker, may I ask the Secretary of State for External Affairs if he can confirm that the NATO council today or shortly thereafter will discuss the matter of trade with Cuba, in the light of representations which it is reported in today's press are to be made by Mr. Walt Rostow on behalf of the government of the United States.

**Hon. Howard C. Green (Secretary of State for External Affairs):** Mr. Speaker, meetings of the NATO council are private meetings, and it would be quite inappropriate for me to say what is to be discussed in the NATO council today or at any other time.

**Mr. Martin (Essex East):** Mr. Speaker, in view of the reply given yesterday by the Prime Minister to the hon. member for Vancouver South, can the Secretary of State for

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External Affairs confirm the report in today's *Globe and Mail* with regard to the holding of such a meeting?

**Mr. Green:** Mr. Speaker, the NATO council has regular meetings and various subjects are discussed. I cannot make any statement about what happens to be coming up for discussion today or tomorrow.

(Translation):

**PUBLIC SERVICE****AGRICULTURE—REPORTED ATTITUDE OF INFORMATION OFFICIALS**

On the orders of the day:

**Hon. Noel Dorion (Secretary of State):** Mr. Speaker, last week the hon. member for Laurier (Mr. Chevrier) asked me whether I would take the necessary steps to remedy a situation allegedly pointed out to the Department of Agriculture with regard to French information supplied by that department. The hon. member's question followed up a report prepared by Mr. H. M. Halliwell for the Minister of Agriculture himself.

Though my jurisdiction may sometimes extend to the giving out of information (more particularly with regard to the department of public printing and stationery and the bureau for translations) it is not my responsibility to define the nature, the quantity or the percentage of documents in one or the other language distributed by the various departments. Except when an act or a ruling so provides, that task is entirely the responsibility of the department concerned.

Yet, I want to point out that it was because of a request made by the Minister of Agriculture himself that the report mentioned by the hon. member was prepared. We may therefore assume that the minister will certainly from now on consider any such recommendation made to him.

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**NATIONAL DEFENCE****NORTH BAY—CONSTRUCTION OF STORAGE FOR NUCLEAR WARHEADS**

On the orders of the day:

**Hon. Paul Hellyer (Trinity):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Associate Minister of National Defence. Is the minister in a position now to reply to the question which I posed to the Minister of National Defence yesterday?

**Hon. Pierre Sevigny (Associate Minister of National Defence):** Mr. Speaker, in answer to the question of the hon. member for Trinity may I say that facilities for the maintenance and storage of the Bomarc missile have been