

Inquiries of the Ministry

to the percentage of the total cost the federal government would be prepared to contribute.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. It seems to me that the question now asked by the hon. member is not of the type that can be asked now. The hon. member is asking for an additional statement, and perhaps this may be done on another occasion, on motions.

Mr. Douglas: A point of order, Mr. Speaker. I am asking the minister simply whether he will clarify his statement and if he can tell me the percentage of the total cost of this project that the federal government is prepared to contribute. That is the only answer I need.

Mr. Speaker: Perhaps this particular question might be placed on the other paper.

Mr. Douglas: Ten o'clock, Mr. Speaker.

[Translation]

EXPO '67**POSSIBILITY OF ATTENDANCE WITHOUT REGARD TO FINANCIAL POSITION**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Gérard Laprise (Chapleau): Mr. Speaker, I intended to put my question to the right hon. Prime Minister, but I shall put it instead to the hon. Minister of Trade and Commerce, the minister answerable to the house for Expo.

Has the minister received representations from certain organizations in Montreal intended to enable all who wish to visit Expo '67 to do so, regardless of their financial situation, that is to say that everyone will be able to visit Expo even if they cannot afford it?

Mr. Speaker: Order. I feel the question of the hon. member is far too general, and that it is therefore out of order at this time.

Mr. Laprise: Ten o'clock, Mr. Speaker.

[English]

INDUSTRY**GENERAL MOTORS—DISCONTINUATION OF CANADIAN PRODUCTION OF TWO MODELS**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. H. A. Olson (Medicine Hat): Mr. Speaker, I should like to address a question to the Acting Prime Minister based on the statement by General Motors of Canada that they intend to discontinue the production of two of their models in Canada, the Acadian and the Chevy II, and import these models from the

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United States. Has the government received any assurance from, or been given any undertaking by, General Motors Corporation, in keeping with the agreement, that there will be additional production in other lines in Canada for export to the United States to offset this decline in production at home?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I do not want to be particularly difficult, but it seems to me that the question asked by the hon. member for Medicine Hat is also of a general nature and I am wondering whether it can be asked at this time.

Mr. Olson: Mr. Speaker, if I may make some representation to Your Honour about the urgency and importance of the matter, there appeared in the press yesterday and today a positive statement from General Motors that they are ceasing production in Canada of two of their very popular models. I think this house has the right to know whether the government has had an assurance, in keeping with the agreement, that this decline in that particular line of production is going to be offset by some other exports.

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry): Mr. Speaker, I hope I can give a general assurance, without entering into particulars, that the targets set for achievement by the motorcar companies by the end of model year 1968 will be achieved.

Mr. A. D. Hales (Wellington South): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Can the minister assure the house that those models, to be made in the U.S.A., will be sold in Canada at the same price they are sold in the United States?

Mr. Drury: Unfortunately the hon. gentleman is referring to models the production of which is being discontinued.

RESEARCH**SUPPORT FOR HARP PROJECT FROM FOREIGN COUNTRY**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Eric A. Winkler (Grey-Bruce): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Acting Prime Minister. Inasmuch as the HARP project for space research at McGill University has been rejected by the federal government, is the Acting Prime Minister aware that this project will be supported by external foreign aid, from another country?

Hon. Paul Martin (Acting Prime Minister): I wish to take notice of that very interesting question.