

*Inquiries of the Ministry***INDIAN AFFAIRS****TABLING OF STANBURY-FIELD REPORT ON
INDIAN TAXATION**

Hon. W. G. Dinsdale (Brandon-Souris): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development. Will the minister say when he will be tabling the Stanbury-Field report which analyses taxes paid by Indians in British Columbia to the government of that province?

[Translation]

Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): Mr. Speaker, I do not know what document the hon. member is referring to. I will inquire and give an answer in the house as soon as possible.

AIRPORTS**QUEBEC—LOCATION OF INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT**

Mr. Léonel Beaudoin (Richmond): Mr. Speaker, I had a question for the Minister of Forestry and Rural Development, but in his absence I shall direct it to the Minister of Transport.

Is the decentralization policy often announced by the federal government taken into consideration for the location of the future Quebec international airport?

Mr. Speaker: I think that the question as asked should be put on the order paper. If the hon. member feels that it is urgent, he could give notice to have the question discussed at the time of adjournment.

[English]

ESTATE TAX ACT**ALLEGED THREAT TO FAMILY FARMS AND
BUSINESSES**

Mr. George Muir (Lisgar): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Finance. In view of the serious threat to the continuance of family farms and businesses contained in the changes to the Estate Tax Act, would the minister give serious consideration to a review of these matters before bringing in the proposed legislation?

Mr. Speaker: It seems to me the hon. member is asking a question which has been asked in the last few days, but in spite of this fact I am disposed to allow the minister to reply.

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, I would simply like to say that the presumption is unfounded.

[Mr. Hellyer.]

Mr. John Burton (Regina East): I have a supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Since there are indications in the press that Liberal members of parliament have been provided with certain information on the new proposals, would the minister make this information available to all members?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The question has already been and answered.

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT**FRED—PLAN FOR WESTERN NEWFOUNDLAND**

Mr. Jack Marshall (Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the acting minister of regional development. Could the minister advise whether he has received a report on the proposed development plan for western Newfoundland under the FRED program amounting to \$305 million from the Newfoundland government, as announced in the local papers there?

[Later:]

Mr. Marshall: Mr. Speaker, in view of the silence to the question I asked a couple of moments ago, I wonder if I may ask the Acting Prime Minister whether there is an acting minister of regional development, or what was formerly forestry and rural development?

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, he will be in the house on Monday.

Mr. Marshall: Thank you for the answer.

[Later:]

Mr. MacInnis (Cape Breton-East Richmond): On a point of order, Mr. Speaker. Hon. members realize that when they put questions to members of the government they are not necessarily entitled to answers. But because of the roster system introduced by the Prime Minister, and the fact that the Acting Prime Minister is probably fumbling around with the old list, the least courtesy which the government could offer the opposition would be to inform us whether there are acting ministers.

Mr. Hellyer: There are, indeed, acting ministers, but today is not the day for the attendance in the house of the Minister of Forestry and Rural Development. I am sure he will be here on Monday; in case he should not be, the acting minister will be present.

Mr. MacInnis (Cape Breton-East Richmond): Who is the acting minister?