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House of Commons,
Room 368,
July 2, 1942.

The Special Committee on Defence of Canada Regulations met this day at 11 o'clock a.m. The Chairman, Hon. J.E. Michaud, presided.

THE CHAIRMAN: We have a quorum, and we shall now proceed.

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

Correspondence read and dealt with.

MR. MARTIN: I wonder if letters like that should be read to this committee? All of us could produce letters along that same line dealing with individuals. This is a matter surely for the tribunals that deal with these cases.

THE CHAIRMAN: This letter was addressed to the committee. Both the letters read were addressed to this committee and were signed by people holding official positions. I thought it was advisable to have them read anyway.

We have here this morning a delegation representing
Ecole Sociale Populaire, -
which wants to make representation on, I presume, communism and other associations banned by section 39C of the Defence of Canada Regulations. Would you come forward, gentlemen, and take your seats? The delegation is composed of Father Louis Chagnon, Mr. John Penverne and Mr. Alfred Charpentier, the head of the Catholic Union of Workers in the province of Quebec.

MR. JOHN PENZERNE, called:

WITNESS: Mr. Chairman, madam and gentlemen, in order not to duplicate what we have come here to tell you, if you will have the kindness to listen to us, I will take one aspect of