

1 been a step forward in the whole process of development of
2 better relationships between French and English speaking
3 Canadians in Canada, and a better deal for French speaking
4 Canadians. I think it has made the job harder for those of
5 us who are trying to make it work better inside of Canada,
6 between the two Countries. I think the global, total effect
7 of this has been negative.

8 MEMBER OF THE PRESS: How was it received by the
9 English people in Canada?

10 MINISTER LALONDE: They were mad as hell!

11 This was considered as, you know, a straight insult
12 to our Country.

13 MEMBER OF THE PRESS: Is it still resented?

14 MINISTER LALONDE: I am sure nobody has elevated
15 a monument to de Gaulle, yet, in English-speaking Canada;
16 and nobody expects that to happen.

17 MEMBER OF THE PRESS: I understand that quite a
18 few business firms are moving their Headquarters, especially
19 from Montreal

20 MINISTER LALONDE: Right.

21 MEMBER OF THE PRESS: Which means that the whole
22 trend of economic activity is moving westward.

23 How do you see that affecting the political
24 status of Mr. Levesque?

25 MINISTER LALONDE: First of all, the movement started