

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

order that we may see whether or not his actions support his change of opinion with respect to this policy matter?

**Mr. Greene:** Well, Mr. Speaker, Canada's energy policy is an extremely complex one which includes many statutes. Certainly a statement on motions could at best be a very cursory and inadequate review of Canada's energy policies, even though given by myself.

## INCREASED U.S. OIL IMPORTS—EFFECT ON CANADIAN EXPORTS

**Mr. P. M. Mahoney (Calgary South):** Mr. Speaker, can the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources advise us to what extent the 100,000 barrels a day increase in crude oil imports indicated yesterday by the United States for the last half of 1970 will affect Canadian exports to that country?

**Hon. J. J. Greene (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources):** Mr. Speaker, the available quantities under the 100,000 barrels that were announced will in my understanding be allocated by the oil appeal board to those areas where there is a critical situation existing in respect of refining. So it is difficult to say how much of it will be specifically allocated to Canada, but I am confident that hardship cases of our customers will be met so that some portion of that quota will come to Canada.

[Translation]

## VIOLENT DEMONSTRATIONS

## MONTREAL—PROTEST BY FRONT DE LIBÉRATION POPULAIRE—MEASURES TO PREVENT DISORDER

**Mr. Gilbert Rondeau (Shefford):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to ask the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) a question. Could he tell the House if steps have been taken to prevent disorder which might follow in the wake of the demonstration planned by the Front de libération populaire for July 1 next, in front of the Canada Manpower Centre Building, corner of Bleury and Dorchester Streets, in Montreal?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, I was not aware of any plans for such a demonstration. I have not received a personal invitation, but I will ask the Solicitor General to keep me posted in this regard.

[Mr. Douglas (Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands).]

[English]

## DRUGS

## PARTICIPATION OF MEMBERS IN BRIEFING PRIOR TO TABLING OF LEDAIN COMMISSION REPORT—COURT CASE MORATORIUM

**Mr. Eldon M. Woolliams (Calgary North):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask a question of the Minister of National Health and Welfare—I know he is dying to hear my question—in respect of the LeDain commission report. Is the LeDain commission still subject to the Trudeau veto or has the government now approved a confidential briefing period for the press from which Members of Parliament will be excluded and will this briefing take place tomorrow prior to the opening of the House at eleven o'clock?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I am sure the hon. member will recognize that the question is not asked in terms which might make it acceptable to the Chair.

**Mr. Woolliams:** Well, Your Honour, I am sorry that we are all so supersensitive, but there has been some veto. The question is very clear. Will there be a briefing of the press tomorrow, prior to the sitting at eleven o'clock, from which members of Parliament will be excluded?

**Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare):** Mr. Speaker, the LeDain report will be tabled tomorrow. After the question period I intend to discuss with the House leaders of the opposition parties the arrangements for the briefing and the proposals we have in that regard. We shall discuss how best in our view the opposition spokesmen can be included in that briefing, if that is a satisfactory arrangement.

**Mr. Woolliams:** Do I gather from the minister's answer that when he discusses this with the House Leaders of the various parties he will discuss the right of Members of Parliament to be at the briefing concerning which he had a notice on the board today?

**Mr. Munro:** That subject matter no doubt will come up in the discussion, Mr. Speaker. I do feel, however, that it could be the type of briefing that is a lock-in situation and that all the parties could be amply represented so that they may be in a position to respond to the report. That would probably accomplish both purposes in terms of having the press briefed and still having the rights of members protected.