

Inquiries of the Ministry

the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration whether he had communicated with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police with reference to the acts of violence that are taking place in Toronto. That was an error on my part; I should have said the city police force of Toronto. Has there been any communication with them, particularly in view of the fact that these two men entered Canada as negotiators on the 24th of August and there has been no negotiation since that date?

[Translation]

Mr. Tremblay: Mr. Speaker, the information I have received concerning Mr. Hogan and Mr. Ameln's activities came from the immigration office in Toronto. What I do not know is to what extent the immigration officers might have got in touch with the Toronto police force.

I shall be glad to ask my people in Toronto from what police force they received their information during the investigation.

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EDUCATION

STUDENT LOANS—REPAYMENT BY MEDICAL STUDENTS DURING INTERNSHIP

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Eric A. Winkler (Grey-Bruce): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Finance regarding medical students using the student loan fund. Will the minister say whether repayment under the act will be required while the student is serving his internship and, if so, will the minister reconsider this aspect of the legislation?

Hon. Walter L. Gordon (Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, under the act the loans are repayable commencing six months after completion of the educational course. In this particular case they would be repayable during the period of internship. I would be very glad to consider this question, and if there is a good case for some change we will consider it when the act next comes up for review.

UNITED NATIONS

PROSPECTIVE OTTAWA MEETING ON STAND-BY UNITS FOR PEACE FORCE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Andrew Brewin (Greenwood): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Secretary of State for External Affairs. Would the secretary of state tell the house what develop-

ments have taken place in respect to the proposed conference which is to be called by Canada of nations which might be willing to contribute to permanent stand-by forces for international peace keeping?

Hon. Paul Martin (Secretary of State for External Affairs): Mr. Speaker, the hon. gentleman was kind enough to give me notice of his intention to ask this question. We hope this meeting on peace will be held in Ottawa during the week of November 2. Several governments have already informally indicated their desire and intention to participate. We are now awaiting the reaction of other governments.

Mr. Brewin: A supplementary question. I wonder whether the secretary of state could tell the house if the proposals contained in the memorandum of the U.S.S.R. regarding measures to strengthen peace keeping activities of the United Nations are being followed up in any way by this government, and about which the minister can tell us?

Mr. Martin (Essex East): Yes, Mr. Speaker, they are.

REPRESENTATIONS BY U.S. RESPECTING COMMUNIST CHINA

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Barry Mather (New Westminster): Mr. Speaker, I have a question I should like to ask the Secretary of State of External Affairs. Is it a fact, as reported yesterday in the *Ottawa Journal*, that the United States, through Mr. Cabot Lodge, has strongly advised or cautioned Canada against recognizing mainland China or supporting her admission to the United Nations?

Hon. Paul Martin (Secretary of State for External Affairs): Mr. Speaker, there was no discussion of that subject.

Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Leader of the Opposition): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Is there any foundation for radio or television reports to the effect that as recognition of China is a matter that should take into consideration the feelings of our allies, recognition is to take place after the month of November and early in 1965?

Mr. Martin (Essex East): Mr. Speaker, I know of no grounds for suggesting that this will take place early in 1965. No one can say definitely when a decision on this matter will be finally reached.