

The CHAIRMAN: All right, gentlemen. At the next meeting we will continue with the 1934 report, and I think we will be able to finish it; then we will go into the 1935 report, and we will be having witnesses.

Mr. HENDERSON: This Thursday, at 11 o'clock, I think. We will have a meeting at 11 o'clock on Thursday. You will be notified in due course. Thank you, gentlemen. Yes, I will, and we will be notified in due course. If you have any suggestions, please let me know. We want no interference with a responsibility of this nature. That is the position that we took at that time, Mr. LeBlanc.

Mr. LEBLANC (Lawyer): That is what I wanted to figure out.

The CHAIRMAN: I would suggest we leave the matter there and think it over before the next meeting.

Mr. NOBLE: Mr. Henderson, if the opinion of your legal advice is questioned, what would be the procedure from there?

Mr. HENDERSON: It seems to me it would be a matter for this Committee to decide, Mr. Noble. You conceivably would be faced with a confrontation between the law officers of the Crown and the advice which I have received. Presumably you would ask me in answer to one of the questions I secured legal advice on it and I would say yes, and you would ask me if the legal advice supported the position I took, to which I would reply in the affirmative. Where the Committee would go from that point I am without experience to say at the present time.

Mr. WINCH: Then we would sit in judgment, I presume.

Mr. HENDERSON: Presumably you would be interested then in hearing both sides of the case. And it is at that point that I would have no hesitancy, if it were the wish of the Committee, to have my legal adviser with me at the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN: We would become judge and jury.

Mr. HENDERSON: I have not had any experience on that point, quite frankly, and I am very much in your hands on it.

Mr. NOBLE: It could be a possibility though, could it not?

Mr. HENDERSON: Indeed, sir. That was all weighed up by this Committee at the time that this arrangement was made in 1934.

Mr. THOMAS (Middleton West): Mr. Henderson, under the order giving him the authority, apparently has the right to obtain legal advice from any source. There is no point in his naming the lawyer from whom he has obtained legal advice because he can obtain legal advice from some other firm.

Mr. WINCH: There is a possibility, in which case he will report to the Committee and they will have a challenge and both sides will be heard. I presume that the Committee will reach its own conclusions as to what is right.