

Hon. Robert de Cotret (President of the Treasury Board): Mr. Speaker, I would like to tell my hon. colleague, and for that matter his constituents and all affected employees, that we intend to move early in the fall with the Bill in its present form.

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CANADIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE

REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT—INFILTRATION OF VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS BY FOREIGN SPIES

Mr. John Nunziata (York South—Weston): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Prime Minister. It concerns the annual report of the Security Intelligence Review Committee tabled in the House yesterday.

The report confirms that hostile foreign spies have infiltrated some voluntary organizations in Canada and that these organizations are receiving substantial funding from hostile foreign Governments. Will the Prime Minister indicate which Canadian organizations have been infiltrated and which organizations are receiving funding from hostile foreign Governments? Will the Prime Minister not agree that innocent Canadians belonging to these organizations have a right to know and, indeed, all Canadians have a right to know?

Hon. James Kelleher (Solicitor General of Canada): Mr. Speaker, I do not know what report the hon. gentleman was reading, but it certainly was not in the report with which I am familiar.

I can tell the hon. gentleman, as I told the House quite clearly yesterday, that the only activities carried on by CSIS are carried on within its mandate as given to it under Section 2 of the Act. If the Member has any evidence that CSIS is not acting within its mandate under Section 2 of the Act, I would ask him to give me some evidence of it.

REQUEST FOR IDENTIFICATION OF VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS

Mr. John Nunziata (York South—Weston): Mr. Speaker, it is obvious that the Minister has not read the report. The evidence is at page 30 of the report. I will quote it for the Solicitor General.

Mr. Marchi: Go slowly.

Mr. Nunziata: "We have learned in CSIS briefings that hostile foreign intelligence services have, indeed, infiltrated some organizations and that substantial funding from foreign sources has been detected".

The Solicitor General has just displayed his abysmal ignorance and irresponsibility with regard to his particular Ministry. I would like to ask the Prime Minister if he will immediately indicate to Canadians which voluntary organizations in Canada have been infiltrated by hostile foreign spies.

Oral Questions

Will he not agree that Canadians have a right to know which organizations have been infiltrated by these hostile Governments?

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Hon. James Kelleher (Solicitor General of Canada): Mr. Speaker, we have before us the annual report of SIRC which renders a valuable service, and that is the purpose of that organization. We are investigating any allegations. As I told the Hon. Member, a review team has been set up to look into these allegations to see whether or not they are correct and to recommend procedures that will clear up any concerns that may have been raised in the SIRC report.

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SUPPLY AND SERVICES

REGIONAL PRINTING CONTRACTS

Mr. Don Ravis (Saskatoon East): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Supply and Services. Printing firms in Saskatchewan, throughout the west, and indeed in the Maritimes have been concerned about the amount of federal government printing business performed in their regions. Can the Minister tell the House if any progress is being made in that regard?

Hon. Stewart McInnes (Minister of Public Works): Mr. Speaker, I am persuaded that the Minister of Supply and Services deserves the collective applause of all Members of the House for her attempts to regionalize printing and other procurement practices. In this regard, she has requested and indeed required that all Members' monthly booklets be printed and distributed in the regions. I am happy to report to the Hon. Member that Mid-West Litho was the high tenderer on a contract to do a great deal of printing in the west—

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. McInnes:—and it is expected that \$10 million worth of printing will be moved to the regions this year.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

UNITED STATES SAILOR'S ALLEGED RAPE OF WOMAN IN VICTORIA

Ms. Margaret Mitchell (Vancouver East): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Secretary of State for External Affairs. Canadians are outraged, first that an American sailor who allegedly raped a Victoria woman avoided apprehension by boarding his ship, and second, that both Canadian and U.S. military officials said yesterday that if the crime had been more serious, such as murder, the suspect would have been