

legislation is not going to be delayed in order to be included in a bag of election goodies at the next election?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I would seek the co-operation of all hon. members in enabling the Chair to recognize as many questioners as possible by limiting the number of supplementaries between now and the end of the question period. A number of members have been waiting to ask questions during the last few days and the Chair is anxious to give them an opportunity to do so. This can only be done with the co-operation of all hon. members.

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### TRANSPORT

#### REQUEST FOR TRI-LEVEL COMMITTEE STUDY OF TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS IN SOUTHWESTERN ONTARIO

**Mr. Perrin Beatty (Wellington-Grey-Dufferin-Waterloo):** Mr. Speaker, my question is for the sartorially splendid Minister of Transport, if he is listening to me. I should like to repeat the essence of the question I asked him on June 27, at which time he asked for more time. Is the minister now willing to accede to the request of the Midwestern Development Council that a tri-level committee be struck to inquire into all aspects of transportation needs in southwestern Ontario?

**Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport):** Mr. Speaker, I regret that my translation system is not working.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

**Mr. Marchand (Langelier):** My normal answer would be "in due course", but if the hon. member would repeat his question I will borrow my seatmate's system.

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**Mr. Beatty (Wellington-Grey-Dufferin-Waterloo):** Mr. Speaker, the question I asked was whether the minister is now going to accede to the request of the Midwestern Development Council, which had a meeting with the minister some three and a half months ago, that a tri-level committee be struck to look into all aspects of transportation problems in southwestern Ontario, including passenger transportation?

**Mr. Marchand (Langelier):** Mr. Speaker, I do not recall having received this request, but I will inquire of my department and if it is there I will give an answer on Monday.

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### CORPORATE AFFAIRS

#### POSSIBLE INCREASE IN ACTIVITIES OF TEXASGULF FOLLOWING PURCHASE OF CONTROL BY CANADA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

**Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton-Melville):** Mr. Speaker, my question was for the Minister of Transport who apparently has just stepped out of the House. I will direct it to

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the Prime Minister. In view of the fact the green light appears to be on for the purchase of Texasgulf by the Canada Development Corporation, I should like to ask the Prime Minister, if he is listening, or some other minister, whether he can say, in view of the fact the Canada Development Corporation has now been given the green light in respect of this purchase and in view of the fact the government is the sole owner of that corporation, that the activities of Texasgulf in this country will be stepped up in terms of investment, jobs, research and development?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, I am sure those representations by the hon. gentleman will be heard by the directors of the CDC who, as the hon. member knows, under the law have a great deal of autonomy.

**Mr. Nystrom:** In view of the relatively successful job the CDC has been doing, and in view of the fact the corporation is supposed to be going public, can the Prime Minister say whether any consideration is being given to keeping this Crown corporation wholly owned by the people of Canada?

**Mr. Trudeau:** Mr. Speaker, there are several Crown corporations which are wholly owned by the people of Canada. I cannot answer a hypothetical question.

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### HEALTH

#### POSSIBILITY OF CAMPAIGN TO COMBAT GLUE SNIFFING

**Mr. Sean O'Sullivan (Hamilton-Wentworth):** Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of National Health and Welfare and arises out of an undertaking given several weeks ago by the minister to the right hon. member for Prince Albert. At that time the minister advised he would consider a campaign to combat the problem of glue sniffing in Canada. Can the minister now advise the House whether his department is ready to conduct such a national campaign and whether it will include warnings against other solvents and drugs?

**Hon. Marc Lalonde (Minister of National Health and Welfare):** Mr. Speaker, I do not remember having given a commitment to the right hon. member, but this matter is under continuous study. I think I said at the time that it was a very complex issue and that glue sniffing, indeed, was only one element. There are many other aspects involved. No large campaign is planned at the present time. It is more a matter of providing information to the public through the media on a general basis and as a result of questions like the one asked by the hon. member.

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### EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

#### REPRESENTATIONS TO CUBA FOR RELEASE OF RONALD PATRICK LIPPERT SINCE VISIT BY FAMILY

**Mr. Tom Cossitt (Leeds):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question I should like to direct to the Prime Minister. Follow-