various component parts of the engine by United Aircraft of Canada Limited to factories of the parent corporation in the United States?

Hon. Alastair Gillespie (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): Mr. Speaker, we have been in consultation with the company. We are following the events of this regrettable strike very carefully and closely. I have no reason to suppose there is going to be any problem such as the hon. member has suggested.

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NATIONAL DEFENCE

DOUBLING OF AIR FORCE RESERVES—REQUEST THAT EAST COAST SQUADRONS BE GIVEN SURVEILLANCE ROLE RESPECTING FISHERIES

Mr. Jack Marshall (Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe): Mr. Speaker, my question is supplementary to the question asked by the hon. member for Edmonton West of the Minister of National Defence. In view of the fact the minister indicated there would be a doubling of air force reserves, that they would be given more responsible tasks and that new squadrons would be formed, would he also indicate whether consideration is being given to assigning to them the role of surveillance of our fisheries on the east coast, specifically Newfoundland?

Hon. James Richardson (Minister of National Defence): Mr. Speaker, it is correct that we are planning to double the strength of the air reserve and we will be creating new air reserve squadrons. The location of the new squadrons will depend to some extent on the availability of experienced ex-service and other personnel who can take part in the air reserve, but certainly there are personnel in that category on the east coast and we will give serious consideration to the establishment of a new squadron there.

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ENERGY

PROPOSED TORONTO DISTRICT HEATING STUDY INVOLVING USE OF WASTE—REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Mr. Jim Fleming (York West): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. In view of the announcement yesterday by the mayor of the city of Toronto of a Toronto district heating study on the use of waste to produce energy, will the federal government give prompt consideration to financial aid to this extremely important project for our community?

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): Mr. Speaker, my department has done an evaluation of the proposal. The initial response is positive and we will do a more fundamental one. I have indicated to my colleague, the Minister of State for Urban Affairs, that this would be a very good subject for one of the demonstration projects under his new allocation of \$100 million.

Oral Questions ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION TO MAKE RE-ENTRY INTO CANADA BY DEPORTED PERSONS A CRIMINAL OFFENCE

Mr. Ian Arrol (York East): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Justice. In view of the stated desire of the Minister of Manpower and Immigration to have steps taken to discourage criminal elements from other countries from carrying on their criminal activities in Canada, when is the minister planning to introduce legislation which will make it a criminal offence for persons who, once deported, re-enter Canada of their own volition?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Justice): Very soon, Mr. Speaker.

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AGRICULTURE

REQUEST FOR LIMITATION OF IMPORTS OF VEAL

Mr. Léonel Beaudoin (Richmond): Mr. Speaker, I direct my question to the Minister of Agriculture.

Answering a question asked by the hon. member for Prince Albert yesterday as to the amount of beef and veal imported in Canada, the Secretary of State said that we have imported one million pounds of veal a month between July and December 1973. Can the Minister of Agriculture say whether he will meet with his colleague, the Minister of Industry, Trade, and Commerce, with a view to reducing those importations which I term as dreadful in order to help Canadian meat producers?

[English]

[Translation]

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, I have in front of me a whole book full of information on imports and exports of beef cattle which I can lend to the hon. member if he wants to read it. He will find that our imports and exports are not that much out of balance as some would like us to believe in comparison with some other years. Mr. Speaker—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I remind hon. members that we are running short of time. Perhaps the minister might be deemed to have answered the question.

DISCUSSIONS ON POSSIBLE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SHEEP RAISERS

Mr. F. Oberle (Prince George-Peace River): Mr. Speaker, my question is a supplementary to the Minister of Agriculture. Are he and his officials carrying on active discussions with the sheep farmers of Canada in an attempt to work out an agreement similar to that in respect of the cattle industry in order to assist them in the dire straits they are facing?

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Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, I would say that the sheep raisers association presented a brief several days ago or a couple of weeks ago asking us to participate in a program to try to encourage