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1 and the business community?

2 If not, what steps do you think that the
3 Administration and the business community might take to
4 pressure Quebec into remaining in the Federation--without
5 causing a reaction that might push it out?

6 MINISTER LALONDE: I think the attitude of the
7 business community, and the Carter Administration, is the
8 wise course, and I don't see any necessity for that course
9 to be changed in the future.

10 This question is going to be resolved among
11 Canadians. It is being debated in a democratic way.
12 We have not known political violence in Quebec since 1970--
13 in any shape or form. I think there has been more political
14 violence in the United States, comparatively, during the
15 same period. I think this thing is going to be resolved
16 -- I am convinced it is going to be resolved -- through
17 the democratic process in Canada. I don't see any
18 necessity for a change of posture.

19 MEMBER OF THE PRESS: If I can follow up:
20 you indicated in response to another question that
21 had to do with the Securities aspects of the Separation
22 question, that if Quebec were to follow the dark scenario
23 that you don't think is likely, and become -- well, take
24 a non-active role in NATO, and so on, that the United
25 States would not allow it! Doesn't that indicate that you