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to perform at this time. My hon. friend has said that it is not adequate for North Star planes. That is quite true. But it is not intended that North Star planes should use that airport. Ottawa airport is not adequate for North Star planes and the North Star planes do not use Ottawa airport.

We cannot make every airport adequate for North Star planes at this time. We have Sydney and Moncton, two emergency airports in Nova Scotia that are adequate for North Star planes; and as my hon. friend knows, we have three airports in Newfoundland for that purpose: Goose, Gander and Stephenville. As far as I know, Dartmouth airport is adequate for T.C.A. traffic. We have recently installed instrument control for the approaches, and the operating conditions there are considered to be favourable at this time. I presume that extension of the runways will be made from time to time but I think there is no urgent need for an extension at the moment.

**Mr. Gillis:** At least that is a definite answer. Your reply is that, as far as you know, there is no immediate necessity to extend the airport, it is not the intention to provide a new one, and things stay as they are for the present.

**Mr. Howe:** As far as the Department of Trade and Commerce is concerned, the airport is entirely adequate for the operation of DC-3 transport planes. If a different type of equipment comes into use, the Department of Trade and Commerce will act for T.C.A. in pressing the government to make the required improvements. But at the moment, as far as the Department of Trade and Commerce is concerned, the accommodation is adequate.

**Mr. Gillis:** Thank you.

**Mr. Macdonnell (Greenwood):** Might I remind the minister that he has not yet given me the list of articles the export of which is prohibited.

**Mr. Howe:** The export of which is prohibited from Canada?

**Mr. Macdonnell (Greenwood):** Yes.

**Mr. Howe:** This list may not be up to date but there are certain precision instruments, being gauges, balancing machines, measuring machines or testing machines as used for laboratory or scientific purposes; atomic energy equipment and components, radiation detection equipment and components. There are radioactive substances, radioactive elements; radioactive isotopes; ores and concentrates of uranium and thorium including pitchblende, uraninite, carnotite, monazite. There are products such as manufactured

articles containing uranium or thorium. Then there is beryllium, gallium, rare earth metals, zirconium; arms, ammunition, implements or munitions of war; military, naval or air stores. Then there are certain goods originating outside Canada which are prohibited in the country of their origin and which are not allowed to be exported from this country for that reason. There are certain other commodities but, without checking back on the last order in council which released a number of these commodities from export control, I would not like to put that list on *Hansard*.

**Mr. Macdonnell (Greenwood):** I take it that most of those are strategic materials?

**Mr. Howe:** Yes.

**Mr. Macdonnell (Greenwood):** Did you say that live hogs cannot be exported?

**Mr. Howe:** That is right.

**Mr. Macdonnell (Greenwood):** Why can they not be exported?

**Mr. Howe:** The fundamental reason of course is that we have a bacon contract with the United Kingdom which we are anxious to fill. It has been the practice since the first bacon contract was signed with the United Kingdom that live hogs cannot be exported from Canada except for purebred hogs which are shipped to authorized countries for breeding purposes.

**Mr. Macdonnell (Greenwood):** Earlier in the day the Minister of National Defence said something which I took to mean that it might be quite on the cards for us to export munitions of war. I may have taken him up in the wrong way.

**Mr. Howe:** All these things can be exported by permit. That is why we have the export permit branch.

**Mr. Macdonnell (Greenwood):** Yes.

**Mr. Howe:** Anything can be exported if the exporter can get a permit for its export.

**Mr. Macdonnell (Greenwood):** I presume the minister will deal with imports later?

**Mr. Howe:** Yes. There is the emergency import control division. That was an emergency program, as my hon. friend knows, instituted in 1947 as a step towards righting the exchange balances.

**Mr. Macdonnell (Greenwood):** Can the minister give us a list of the chief articles that are prohibited and that are on that list?

**Mr. Howe:** Automobiles, a great list of machinery items, practically all capital goods from hard currency countries.

[Mr. Howe.]