# **IMMIGRATION**

TRIPS OF MR. RICHARD DICERNI AND MR. DANIEL COATES— INQUIRY AS TO MINISTER'S AUTHORIZATION

Mr. Sean O'Sullivan (Hamilton-Wentworth): Mr. Speaker, a question for the Minister of Manpower and Immigration. Can the minister advise whether the interesting and extensive trips of Mr. Richard Dicerni and those of Mr. Daniel Coates taken at public expense during the period these gentlemen served on the minister's personal staff, were taken with the minister's knowledge and authorization?

Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, I believe that question was on the order paper and answered.

### **NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD**

MACKENZIE VALLEY PIPELINE HEARINGS—POSSIBILITY OF PRESENTATION OF GOVERNMENT BRIEF

Mr. Doug Neil (Moose Jaw): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the right hon. Prime Minister. In view of the fact that the National Energy Board has scheduled preliminary hearings on the Mackenzie Valley pipeline on July 8, 9 and 10, will the Prime Minister please inform the House whether the government is contemplating or has the intention of presenting a statement or brief to the board?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I will take notice of the question on behalf of the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources.

### FINANCE

POSSIBLE IMPOSITION OF TAX ON IMPORTED ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS—GOVERNMENT POSITION

Mr. Paul Dick (Lanark-Renfrew-Carleton): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Finance which is supplementary to that asked by the hon. member for Wellington. Representations were made in the House by the hon. member for Vancouver South on January 27 and February 6 and a letter was sent to the Minister of Finance on February 17 inquiring whether there would be any relief under the provisions of Bill C-172 of the twenty-ninth parliament that would allow electronic components to be taxed rather than coming into Canada dutyfree and thus save jobs in the RCA plants in Renfrew and Owen Sound. Has the minister, further to the reply of April 8 in which he indicated he was considering the matter, given it further consideration, and will he take action?

• (1440)

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, I have nothing to add to the letter, except to say that the problem may not lie particularly with the tariff.

## Oral Questions

REQUEST FOR REPORT OF ANTI-DUMPING TRIBUNAL ON ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY

Mr. Walter Baker (Grenville-Carleton): Mr. Speaker, may I ask a supplementary question. I am sorry I was not at the meeting this morning when the sheet music was handed out. Can the Minister of Finance tell the House if the proceedings before the anti-dumping tribunal which were announced by the Minister of National Revenue some time ago with respect to the electronics industry are still under way and if a report will soon be available to the House and the country on this distressed industry.

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, that question is important enough to warrant giving the hon. gentleman a detailed answer on another occasion.

[Translation]

### INCOME TAX

REQUEST FOR INQUIRY INTO DEALERS IN CARRION

Mr. Gérard Laprise (Abitibi): Mr. Speaker, the Minister of National Revenue being absent, I shall address my question to the right hon. Prime Minister.

Upon his return to Canada, he was doubtless advised of the inquiry into organized crime in Quebec, especially with regard to the sale of carrion. Can he assure the House that the Department of National Revenue will look into the income tax of the dealers in carrion to make sure that all taxes were paid on the income involved which, in some cases, amounted to as much as \$25 million?

[English]

Hon. Judd Buchanan (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): Mr. Speaker, I will be happy to take note of that question on behalf of the Minister of National Revenue.

### **IMMIGRATION**

OVERPAYMENTS TO UGANDAN REFUGEES—SUGGESTED ACTION TO RECOVER

Mr. Gordon Towers (Red Deer): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Manpower and Immigration. As \$188,500 of the total of \$824,000 paid to Ugandan refugees represents overpayments made because of misrepresentation or fraud, and as two of the recipients of the money were able to purchase a motel in British Columbia costing \$127,000, will the minister conduct a ministerial or judicial inquiry to establish ways and means to ensure the recovery of such overpayment?

Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, I believe that is standard procedure, but I will look into the matter.

While I am on my feet, Mr. Speaker, may I say that I may have inadvertently misled the House in the sense that I said to the hon. member for Hamilton-Wentworth that