

EVIDENCE

TUESDAY, September 29, 1964.

The CHAIRMAN: Gentleman, we have a quorum. First of all, I would like the Clerk to read the order of reference of September 22, referring the main and supplementary estimates of the Department of Veterans Affairs to this committee.

The CLERK OF THE COMMITTEE

Ordered that the items listed in the main estimates and the supplementary estimates (A) for 1964-65, relating to the Department of Veterans Affairs, presented to this house at the present session, be withdrawn from the committee of supply and be referred to the standing committee on veterans affairs, saving always the power of the committee of supply in relation to the voting of public moneys.

The CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, I would like to present the first report of the subcommittee. This committee met yesterday afternoon:

Sub-committee on agenda and procedure

The sub-committee on agenda and procedure comprises the following members: Messrs. Groos, Herridge, McIntosh, O'Keefe, Patterson and Laniel.

The sub-committee met on September 28th, and has agreed to report as follows:

1. The committee will undertake to hear the minister of veterans affairs and deal with the estimates, and decide later on other matters.

2. The committee will meet on the following dates:

Tuesday, September 29, 1964 at 10.00 a.m.

Thursday, October 1, 1964 at 10.00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 6, 1964 at 10.00 a.m., and

Thursday, October 8, 1964 at 10.00 a.m.

Would someone move the adoption of this report.

Mr. LANIEL: I move that the report be adopted.

Mr. MACRAE: I second the motion.

Mr. HERRIDGE: Mr. Chairman, I moved that motion and I note that there is one inaccuracy in it. I did not use the word "undertake". That sounds like a contract. What I said was that we would be looking forward to hearing the Minister of Veterans Affairs.

The CHAIRMAN: You would like to substitute another word for the word "undertake"?

Mr. HERRIDGE: Yes. I said: "look forward to hearing the minister". The way it reads now it sounds like a contract.

The CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, at this time it gives me great pleasure to call upon the minister, who will speak to you at this time.

Hon. ROGER J. TEILLET (*Minister of Veterans Affairs*): Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, with Mr. Herridge as sharp as he is this morning I am glad I am not going to discuss the Columbia river treaty.