is absolutely imperative that the RCMP personally interview Premier Hatfield to determine whether there is any substance to those most serious allegations, and to clear the good name of the RCMP?

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Hon. Elmer M. MacKay (Solicitor General of Canada): Mr. Speaker, and that is supposed to be a tough question? I would hope the Hon. Member would not expect me to undermine public confidence in the Commissioner of the RCMP by directing him on what he should or should not do in terms of this particular internal review.

Mr. Nunziata: Mr. Speaker, the Solicitor General undermined public confidence in our criminal justice system. His conduct continues to be disgraceful and deplorable in this matter.

## REQUEST THAT MINISTER ISSUE INSTRUCTIONS TO RCMP

Mr. John Nunziata (York South-Weston): Will the Solicitor General immediately instruct the RCMP to investigate Premier Hatfield's allegations fully? Will he instruct the RCMP to interview Premier Hatfield personally?

Hon. Elmer M. MacKay (Solicitor General of Canada): Mr. Speaker, to the Hon. Member, who continues to demonstrate that his reach concerning this issue far exceeds his grasp of it, the answer is no.

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

## TRUST COMPANIES

PIONEER TRUST COMPANY—PLIGHT OF RETIRED FARMER

Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton-Melville): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of State for Finance. Could we have some order, Mr. Speaker? My question is in relation to Pioneer Trust which the Government allowed to collapse a few weeks ago. I have in my hand a letter from a retired Saskatchewan farmer who informs me that he put all of his assets into two guaranteed income averaging certificates, one for a six year term and one for a seven year term. He did so with no hesitation, knowing that he could be fully insured by the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation for those particular deposits.

Is the Minister aware that this retired farmer, and perhaps hundreds like him, will not be reimbursed for one single cent of their savings because they were not informed by Pioneer Trust that the CDIC only insures investments of this kind for five years? If she is aware of that, can she tell us what assistance she will give to this retired farmer, and hundreds of ordinary Canadians like him, who have lost their entire savings because of what Pioneer Trust did?

# Oral Questions

Hon. Barbara McDougall (Minister of State (Finance)): Mr. Speaker, no one is more concerned about the people who save money in this country than I am, and that includes retired farmers. I am aware of the situation that the Hon. Member raises. I have looked at the legislation and discussed it with my officials. I have informed him, time and again, that I am in constant conversation with officials in Saskatchewan. The Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation legislation is clear, but I am still discussing the situation with the Province of Saskatchewan.

Mr. Nystrom: Mr. Speaker, I do not want sympathy. I want action from the Minister across the way.

#### TIME LIMIT ON INSURANCE

Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton-Melville): I had a chance to talk to this farmer on the telephone yesterday. He told me that his application for these two guaranteed income averaging certificates have a standard CDIC stamp on them saying that his investment was insured. They are stamped "insured".

The Minister responsible says she has looked into the case. Can she inform the House why Pioneer Trust was allowed to ignore the CDIC by-law which states that member institutions must clearly refer to the five-year limit guarantee for investments of this kind? Why was it allowed to do that? Can she also tell the House very clearly whether or not she will compensate these innocent victims of Pioneer Trust?

Mrs. Barbara McDougall (Minister of State (Finance)): Mr. Speaker, I have informed the Member before that I am looking into this matter with the Province of Saskatchewan and with the officials of my Department. I would also like to point out that one of the first things I did after taking office was to appoint a committee to study the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation and its operations. I share the concern of the Hon. Member for people like his constituent.

### **OLYMPICS**

**COST OF 1988 WINTER OLYMPICS** 

Mr. Alex Kindy (Calgary East): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of State for Fitness and Amateur Sport. It is with regard to the Winter Olympics which will be held in Calgary in 1988. The Chairman of that committee stated that it will not cost taxpayers 1 cent. Can the Minister assure the House that this will be true?

Hon. Otto Jelinek (Minister of State (Fitness and Amateur Sport)): Mr. Speaker, I can assure the Hon. Member that there will be no deficit financing of the games because there will not be a deficit. As the Chairman of the Olympic Organization Committee, Mr. Frank King, said: "We will only spend \$1 Billion if we raise \$1 billion and invest it in the games". I applaud that attitude, because bigger and better games are going to be beneficial for Calgary and Canada, and will leave