Oral Questions

yesterday, I understand that the automobile carrying rate which Rivtow had been quoting before was competitive with Northland's automobile carrying rate.

ATOMIC ENERGY OF CANADA LIMITED

MEANS OF ENFORCING SAFEGUARDS ON SALES BY ITALIAN LICENSEE—POSSIBLE CONNECTION BETWEEN NUCLEAR COMPANY AND ITALIMPIANTI

Miss Flora MacDonald (Kingston and the Islands): Mr. Speaker—

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Miss MacDonald (Kingston and the Islands): I feel that I am welcome back.

My question is to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. In view of the recently approved licencing agreement between AECL and P.M. Nucleari Company of Italy, which for the first time gives to a foreign country the exclusive right to design, make, use, and sell CANDU reactors in Italy and in five years time to other countries provided they comply with the Canadian safeguards policy, will the minister explain by what means Canada proposes to enforce these safeguards once the exclusivity of design has been relinquished to another country?

Hon. Alastair Gillespie (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): Mr. Speaker, through safeguards reached either on a multilateral basis, that is to say, Canada with EURATOM, or on a bilateral basis, Canada with the government of Italy.

Miss MacDonald (Kingston and the Islands): This does not say what the government would do if Italy goes ahead with sales on its own without any reference to Canada. In view of the very questionable commercial arrangements which have come to light with regard to contracts entered into by AECL, can the minister say whether he has checked to see what if any connections exist between P. M. Nucleari of Italy and Italimpianti Company, the contracting company in Argentina?

Mr. Gillespie: Reverting back to the last part of the first question, quite clearly the licensing agreement is conditional upon these arrangements being put into place between the government of Canada—

Miss MacDonald (Kingston and the Islands): What if they do it afterwards?

Mr. Gillespie: —and the other control authorities in Europe to whom I have referred.

On the second part of the question, yes, I have checked, and I am told there is no corporate relationship whatsoever between the two parties.

[Mr. Lang.]

MANPOWER

SUGGESTED NEED FOR REVISION OF PUBLICATION "CANADIAN CLASSIFICATION AND DICTIONARY OF OCCUPATIONS"

Miss Aideen Nicholson (Trinity): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Manpower and Immigration. It concerns the Canadian Classification and Dictionary of Occupations which is prepared by the minister's department in consultation with Statistics Canada. Can the minister confirm that the sections in this work dealing with service occupations are being revised to eliminate absurdities such as including a foster mother and child care attendant in the same occupational group as a tattoo artist and cabana boy and rating a foster mother's skill requirements in dealing with people as lower than those of a dog trainer?

Hon. Jack Cullen (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, I thank the hon. member for giving me notice of the question.

Some hon, Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Hees: Now read your answer as well as she read her question.

Mr. Cullen: Mr. Speaker, this book was published in 1971, and it is in fact being revised. My department is considering the possibility of having a special unit group to cover the areas the hon. member has raised. If hon. members opposite would sometimes give notice when they are looking for information rather than—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. Leader of the Opposition.

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION

POSSIBLE FREEDOM OF AGENTS OF CROWN CORPORATIONS TO DISOBEY LAWS—REQUEST FOR TABLING OF GUIDELINES ON CONDUCT OF AGENTS

Mr. Joe Clark (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, my question is to the Prime Minister. On questions of morality to ministers, one yesterday and one again today, they have given their view that Canada is not to judge the standards of other countries. In light of that I wonder whether the Prime Minister can tell the House whether it is the position of the government of Canada that agents or representatives of Canadian Crown corporations dealing abroad are free to encourage or to acquiesce in the violation or evasion of laws of other countries.

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, the answer is no. Quite the contrary; in relations we have with agents in other countries it is the intention of the government, and it has been the specified intention in the past and it will be in the future, that those agents must not derogate from the laws, or accounting practices, for that matter, of their own countries.