

[English]

**Mr. Speaker:** The hon. member for Egmont on a supplementary.

**Mr. Woolliams:** Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. My point of order is that many times in your rulings, with great respect, you say that our questions are argumentative. I say to Your Honour, with respect, that, when answers are argumentative and evasive and we try to ask further supplementary questions, surely your rulings should apply to all equally.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. The hon. member may make this argument. The hon. member will recognize that it is the responsibility of the Chair to indicate when he thinks an answer or a question is argumentative. The hon. member sought the floor a moment ago to ask a supplementary question. He will be recognized in a moment. The Chair had recognized the hon. member for Egmont and I will, with pleasure, return in a moment to the hon. member for Calgary North. The hon. member for Egmont.

**Mr. MacDonald (Egmont):** Mr. Speaker, may I direct my supplementary question to the Secretary of State. Since a number of projects are now being announced on a day to day basis, can the minister indicate whether they are being announced at random or whether there is some system under which these projects are being publicly announced, in order that some of the uncertainty related to these projects may be dispelled?

[Translation]

**Mr. Pelletier:** Mr. Speaker, I am not sure whether I understand the import of the member's question, but I can say that the announcements are made in a systematic way. In the first place, we communicate with the promoters of a project and send them a form for the conclusion of an agreement under which they undertake, for a grant, to perform certain works included in their project and it is only after conclusion of the agreement that a public announcement is made. However, as I have just said, there is some hidden meaning to the hon. member's question which I did not catch.

[English]

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH PROGRAM—ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO CONSTRUCT SATELLITE CITY IN NORTH

**Mr. Erik Nielsen (Yukon):** Mr. Speaker, may I direct a supplementary question either to the Secretary of State or to the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development. Have any of these funds been allotted to the idea expressed by the Prime Minister in Vancouver, the construction of a satellite northern city to be erected by 10,000 young Canadians? If so, can the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development indicate what purpose that city would serve and whether the location has been selected?

**Mr. Baldwin:** That is for net social benefit.

#### *Inquiries of the Ministry*

**Mr. Nielsen:** Mr. Speaker, since neither of the ministers responsible in this area is prepared to answer, perhaps the Prime Minister would inform the House whether the government has seriously considered his idea of the erection of a satellite city in northern Canada? If so, have funds been allotted for this purpose, and what purpose would the city serve?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** No, Mr. Speaker, the matter has not been seriously considered by cabinet, but if the hon. member wants to submit any projects we will study them seriously.

**Some hon. Members:** Oh, oh!

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I think the hon. member for Calgary North has a supplementary to a previous question.

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#### AGRICULTURE

INTERPROVINCIAL MARKETING—INSTRUCTIONS TO FEDERAL COUNSEL IN PROCEEDINGS BEFORE SUPREME COURT

**Mr. Eldon M. Woolliams (Calgary North):** Mr. Speaker, my question arises out of the answer given by the Minister of Justice to the hon. member for Peace River. I am sure the Minister of Justice appreciates that it is his responsibility, as he suggested, to see that counsel represents the Department of Justice in the case in question. Has the Minister of Justice instructed that counsel, and what are those instructions?

**Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice):** Mr. Speaker, the hon. member has accused me of being argumentative and the hon. member for Peace River of being noncommittal. In any event, they can work that one out.

**Mr. Baldwin:** Evasive is a better term.

**Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton):** My role is to instruct counsel, and the role of counsel, as the matter is before the Supreme Court of Canada, is to present the case before the court because the matter is before the court. The hon. member will understand the government's position when counsel pleads the case.

**Some hon. Members:** Oh, oh!

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. The Chair will recognize the hon. member for Calgary North on a last supplementary. There are not many minutes left before the end of the question period and perhaps we should move on.

**Mr. Woolliams:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I appreciate what the Minister of Justice said about his responsibility, but is there anything confidential about the instructions he has given to the counsel in question? What are those instructions? That is the question.

**Mr. Speaker:** The hon. member for Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands.