

Inquiries of the Ministry

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FAMILY INCOME SECURITY PLAN**FAMILY ALLOWANCES—AGREEMENT BETWEEN OTTAWA AND QUEBEC—EXERCISE OF LEGISLATIVE POWER BY QUEBEC**

Mr. Roch La Salle (Joliette): Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Minister of National Health and Welfare.

Last Wednesday, the Premier of Quebec stated before the National Assembly that the province of Quebec would keep legislative primacy in the administration of the federal family allowances scheme.

Can the minister say, from this statement, whether negotiations are over between the two governments, and whether Quebec will keep legislative primacy in this field?

Mr. Speaker: This question has been taken into consideration but, for the time being, the Chair will recognize the hon. member for Hamilton West.

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AIRPORTS**PICKERING TOWNSHIP SITE—MINISTER'S POSITION ON DECISION IN LIGHT OF OBJECTIONS—PROVISION OF INFORMATION**

Mr. Lincoln M. Alexander (Hamilton West): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct my question to the Minister of Transport. Does the minister still stand by his original decision regarding the need for a second international airport, as well as the choice now before us as being the best possible, in view of mounting objections in regard to both decisions?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, the answer to both questions is yes. I might also call to the hon. member's attention the mounting degree of support for the proposal.

Mr. Alexander: I am appreciative of the minister's answer. In this regard I am with him, though I am seldom with the government on anything. In view of the fact the minister has given an undertaking to table the necessary studies and what-not that enabled him to make these decisions, when is he going to follow through on his undertaking? I believe it is extremely important for the members of the House to know the thinking of the government so we can answer the letters we are receiving on the matter.

Mr. Jamieson: Mr. Speaker, I suspect that the hon. member was not in the House some two weeks ago, I believe it was, when I indicated that the material was available and that any hon. member who wished could get it in any quantity he required. My reason for not making a general distribution was simply to try to save money by not sending it to people who were not interested in it.

Mr. Alexander: A further supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. I must say this is a new approach. In view of the

[Mr. Lang.]

interest in this matter, I thought the documents would be tabled. Would the minister take it upon himself to publicize the documents so that the whole nation will know what we are talking about?

Mr. Jamieson: Mr. Speaker, I think that has been done, but if the hon. member has additional ways in which he wishes to have this done I shall be glad to comply. In the meantime I will table the documents.

Mr. Speaker: Order. We have almost reached the end of the question period. The Chair will recognize two or three members who have been trying to ask questions for a few days.

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FISHERIES**ATLANTIC SALMON—SUGGESTED BOYCOTT OF DANISH GOODS**

Mr. Walter C. Carter (St. John's West): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the right hon. Prime Minister. Would the Prime Minister join his Minister of Fisheries in endorsing a consumer boycott of Danish products to protest the Danish position on fishing for salmon on the high seas?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): That is not the position of the Canadian government, Mr. Speaker, and of course I support the position of the Canadian government.

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HARBOURS**CHURCHILL PORT AUTHORITY—REPRESENTATION FOR HUDSON BAY ROUTE ASSOCIATION**

Mr. Bill Knight (Assiniboia): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Transport. In view of the announcement of appointments to the Churchill port authority, would the minister inform the House whether the Hudson Bay Route Association was approached in terms of having representation on the port authority?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, my recollection is yes, but I could be wrong. I shall take the question as notice and try to find out.

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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE**RESTORATION OF FORMER IDENTIFICATION SYMBOL TO BUILDINGS AND CARS IN EDMONTON**

Mr. Steven E. Paproski (Edmonton Centre): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct my question to the Prime Minister. In view of the Prime Minister's commitment that the RCMP identification which has been removed from various buildings and cars will be restored, when will this identification be restored to the main RCMP building in Edmonton?