

treatment of capital gains. As the hon. member may recall, the former finance minister indicated that he would be bringing forward a discussion paper on the question of capital gains.

This is a very serious matter that often times is not fully understood. I thought it would be better to have the discussion paper produced first, and then to proceed in making any changes that might be justified as a result of public discussion of that paper.

Mr. Taylor: Madam Speaker, I have a supplementary question for the minister. Will the minister, then, assure the House that the discussion paper will include consideration of the once-in-a-lifetime exemption for those who finally have to sell outside the family and who often face ruination and have to borrow to pay the capital gains.

The once-in-a-lifetime exemption is a very important item when it accumulates at the end of the lineage. Will the hon. minister assure us that that item is one that will be discussed under the discussion paper?

Mr. MacEachen: Madam Speaker, I would like to discuss the matter with the hon. member to get a broader understanding of his concerns, so that when the discussion paper is produced his concerns may be addressed.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

BOYCOTTING OF OLYMPIC GAMES IN MOSCOW—FINANCIAL COMPENSATION FOR ATHLETES

Mr. Bob Wenman (Fraser Valley West): Madam Speaker, my question is for the Prime Minister. In view of the fact that, should Canada proceed with an Olympic boycott, those called upon to make the greatest sacrifice would be our athletes, and recognizing that most athletes have already given up many months of employment income, have incurred loans and expenses to a considerable extent, will the government—should it proceed with the boycott—make an assessment of those losses to our athletes and provide financial compensation?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Madam Speaker, you recognize, of course, that the question is, in its very terms, hypothetical.

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Mr. Wenman: A supplementary question, Madam Speaker. In order to end that period of time in which a decision is being made, to reduce those expenses and to allow athletes who are becoming discouraged and are not, perhaps, putting forth all their efforts in anticipation of the boycott, will the Prime Minister make that decision forthwith, in order that the athletes may end their indecision?

[Translation]

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Yes, Madam Speaker.

Oral Questions

[English]

PENITENTIARIES

SHOWING OF SEX FILM TO INMATES

Mr. Benno Friesen (Surrey-White Rock-North Delta): Madam Speaker, my question is for the Solicitor General. Last fall, the administration of the B.C. pen showed a film to the inmates and the general population. The film was entitled "The Night of the Voyeur"—explicit sex,—and the commissioner of corrections, in justifying this, said that it was shown as part of the policy to provide an environment that, within the limits necessarily dictated by incarceration, emulates the normal.

I should like to ask the Solicitor General if it is the policy of his department to show sex films such as "The Night of the Voyeur", supposedly emulating the normal.

Hon. Bob Kaplan (Solicitor General): Madam Speaker, let me assure the hon. member that I shall look into that matter and be prepared to make a statement about it. In the meanwhile, he will be glad to know that we have decided on, and are planning and have under way, the closing of the B.C. pen.

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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

ALLEGED ILLEGALITIES COMMITTED BY MEMBERS OF FORCE

Mr. Svend J. Robinson (Burnaby): Madam Speaker, my question is for the Solicitor General. Yesterday, in this House, the Prime Minister stated that evidence of illegal RCMP activities—so-called disruptive measures—would be turned over forthwith to the provinces involved: Quebec, British Columbia, Alberta and Ontario.

In view of the fact that only heavily edited transcripts of evidence were, in fact, turned over to the provinces, and in view of the fact that the attorney general of Ontario has stated that he is being denied the evidence that he needs in order to prosecute, will the Solicitor General now assure this House that he will, in fact, turn over all evidence—not just edited evidence, but all evidence—of RCMP wrongdoing, to enable such prosecutions to take place?

Hon. Bob Kaplan (Solicitor General): Madam Speaker, I have communicated with the attorneys general and have told them that I would be prepared to discuss with them the evidence that was made available to them last week, following our policy of making the information that they require for the discharge of their responsibilities available to them. I am looking forward to those discussions, and I am prepared to share with them at that time all the evidence I have that I can legally share.

I should point out to the House, however, that the evidence relating to Checkmate—which I understand is the subject of the question—is mostly based on oral reconstruction, and not documents. In connection with that evidence, not very many names are available. Whatever I can make available to them