Air Canada

Mr. Marchand (Langelier): Not at all.

Mr. MacInnis: The minister is contradicting what he himself said a few minutes ago. He used the word "unions" and implied that this question was discussed with them and would continue to be discussed with them.

Mr. Marchand (Langelier): On a point of order, Mr. Chairman, it was stated in the committee that nothing in the law compelled Devco to negotiate with the unions, and that is true. But Devco had discussed the proposed retirement plan with them.

Progress reported.

AIR CANADA

PRESS RELEASE RESPECTING WINNIPEGOVERHAUL BASE

Mr. J. E. Walker (Parliamentary Secretary to Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, might I have the unanimous consent of the house to revert to motions for the purpose of tabling a press release relative to the Air Canada base in Winnipeg?

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): Has the parliamentary secretary leave to revert to motions?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Walker: I wish to table this press release, in English and in French. I believe it would be agreeable to hon. members if it were printed as an appendix to today's Hansard.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): Is that agreeable?

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): I believe the agreement was to have it printed in *Votes and Proceedings* but I would have no objection to it being printed as an appendix to *Hansard* as well—or instead.

Mr. Walker: In *Hansard*, I think. It covers the hon. member's point.

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[Editor's note: For text of press release, see appendix.]

[Translation]

HEALTH, WELFARE AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

THIRD REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Mr. Gaston Isabelle (Hull): Mr. Speaker, I wonder if the house would revert to presentation of reports by standing and special committees?

[Mr. MacInnis (Cape Breton-East Richmond).]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): Does the house agree to revert to that item?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Isabelle: Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to table the third report of the standing committee on health, welfare and social affairs, in both official languages of the country.

• (6:00 p.m.)

[English]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): It being six o'clock the house will now proceed to consideration of private members' business as listed on today's order paper, namely notices of motions.

EXTERNAL AID

SUGGESTED INCLUSION OF FAMILY PLANNING ASSISTANCE

Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton-Melville) moved:

That, in the opinion of this house, the government should give consideration to including in its external aid program family planning assistance to developing countries requesting such assistance, and that the Government of Canada should take a more active role in the United Nations and in its specialized agencies in supporting measures dealing with world population problems.

He said: Mr. Speaker, hon. members will recall that about two weeks ago just after I returned from the war-torn region of western Africa I spoke in this house from an international perspective concerning family planning and the need to bring a certain amount of international feeling into it in an effort to see the problem from this type of perspective. In the debate on Biafra-Nigeria I said that this is an international problem. I said that the Nigerian-Biafran problem should concern all of humanity. I said it was a tragedy of the human race. I said that we are all brothers and should start thinking like brothers as if we are all part of a great united nations society. I said also that an ailment which affects one segment of society is a sickness which affects the whole of society.

As a result of such things I believe there is a growing awareness in the international community of international affairs and problems. People are becoming restless because of the type of thinking, the uncertainties they see in the world, the conflicts which are precipitated by the ability to make modern weapons, and the political institutions that are squabbling throughout the planet. People are restless because of what might happen if