

raise it. However, I am quite unable to tell my honourable friend which might be the case.

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Leader of the Opposition): The President won't raise it.

Senator Davey: I can tell my honourable friend that in 1982 alone this legislation diverted more than \$30 million in Canadian advertising money away from American television to Canadian broadcasters who were thus able to create 5,000 jobs. My supplementary question is: Would the leader undertake to speak to the Prime Minister and persuade him to hang tough on this legislation which is so important to Canadian broadcasters?

Senator Roblin: I just hope that none of the friends I made in the United States who do not like our legislation read *Debates of the Senate*, because when they see those figures, confirmed by such an eminent authority, it will add ammunition to their claim, to be sure. I have no information as to whether or not this item is on the agenda, so I am unable to respond further to my friend.

SUMMIT MEETING IN QUEBEC CITY—NEWSPAPER ARTICLE

Hon. Keith Davey: Honourable senators, my next question is not a supplementary one but it has to do with the so-called Shamrock Summit. I quote from an eminent authority who had an article in yesterday's *Toronto Star*. The authority is none other than Dalton Camp.

Hon. Duff Roblin (Leader of the Government): Wow!

Senator Davey: Mr. Camp said:

Of the two principals, one is a professional entertainer and the other has spent a life time moonlighting as one.

Unhappily, Mr. Camp did not explain which is which and I wonder if the leader could enlighten us.

Senator Roblin: God bless Dalton Camp! He is an old friend of mine and one of the most humorous men I know. Every time I read his column I get as much pleasure out of it as I know my honourable friend does.

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Opposition): Isn't there a New Brunswick vacancy?

END OF DECADE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

COMPOSITION OF CANADIAN DELEGATION AND AGENDA

Hon. Lorna Marsden: Honourable senators, I have a question for the Leader of the Government in the Senate. Two weeks ago the American government announced the composition of their delegation to the End of Decade Women's Conference in Nairobi in July. This allows interested American citizens to express their views on the content of that conference. I wonder if the honourable senator would tell us who will compose the Canadian delegation and what arrangements have been made for input on behalf of Canadian citizens and organizations in preparation for that conference.

[Senator Roblin.]

Hon. Duff Roblin (Leader of the Government): I shall have to take the question as notice.

Senator Marsden: I suggest to the leader that it would be useful if, in answering that question, he could give us some indication of what consultation will take place and when and where it will occur. The agenda and background papers are all published, and I think that many Canadians are anxious to ensure that our delegation represents their views.

Senator Roblin: The Secretary of State takes a very deep interest in this question, and he will provide every assistance to my honourable friend in giving her information.

UNITED NATIONS

RATIFICATION OF INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION AGAINST TAKING OF HOSTAGES

Hon. Stanley Haidasz: Honourable senators, I would like to ask a question of the Leader of the Government in the Senate. Can the Leader of the Government tell us why to this date the Canadian government has not ratified the international convention against the taking of hostages, which was established by the General Assembly of the United Nations in 1979?

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Hon. Duff Roblin (Leader of the Government): I think my friend is asking the wrong man. My honourable friend opposite is, perhaps, in a much better position to reply to that question than I am.

DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS

SECURITY

Hon. Stanley Haidasz: I have a supplementary question for the Leader of the Government in the Senate. I wish to ask him whether he can report to this chamber the reasons for the breach of security that occurred at the Turkish Embassy yesterday, in view of Canada's obligation to protect diplomatic missions in Ottawa, according to its commitments to the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations.

Senator Roblin: We take that responsibility very seriously. For some time, I think, Canadians were under the impression that this was a safe place to live, and that measures that might be required in other parts of the world were not necessary here. If that is no longer the case, then I am sure we will have to take measures.

I can tell my honourable friend, however, that the matter is now under investigation.

CANADA-UNITED STATES RELATIONS

SUMMIT MEETING IN QUEBEC CITY—PRESS RELEASE

Hon. Earl A. Hastings: Honourable senators, I have a question for the Leader of the Government in the Senate that flows from the discussions we have had this afternoon with respect to that very important, upcoming meeting between the