Inquiries of the Ministry

April 7 to 11. We have received some preliminary studies on all the locations we are going to visit. As stated by my hon. friend, the purpose is to find a location for a northern command post. The studies are continuing and will be completed, we hope, when we come back. After that I shall be in a position to announce the location.

SCIENCE SERVICES

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT ON POLICY

Mr. Louis-Roland Comeau (South Western Nova): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the President of the Treasury Board. I have asked this question several times. I wonder whether during the Easter recess he could prepare a statement outlining our priorities and laying down a science policy for Canada.

Hon. C. M. Drury (President of the Treasury Board): I am sorry, Mr. Speaker, but I did not quite understand the end of the question.

Mr. Comeau: I am asking whether the President of the Treasury Board would kindly make a statement after Easter with regard to a science policy for Canada.

Mr. Drury: Mr. Speaker, I think an analysis of the scientific effort of Canada is now being made and a report thereon is likely to emerge soon in the Senate. I think it would be a little foolhardy to make a statement in anticipation of this being done.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

INTRODUCTION OF AMENDMENTS TO FISHERIES ACT—BUSINESS FOR APRIL 6

Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton-Melville): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Government House Leader. Could he inform the House as to when he plans to introduce a new Fisheries Act?

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I am hopeful that the balance of the legislation we hope to deal with will be available as early as possible in the remaining part of the session.

While I am on my feet, perhaps I should indicate for the benefit of the House that upon our return on April 6 it is the government's intention to take as the first order of business Government Order No. 5, Bill C-3, an act to amend the Criminal Code.

[Mr. Cadieux (Labelle).]

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

ALLEGED HARASSMENT OF FAMILY OF W. A. WILSON

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): I have a question for the Solicitor General, Mr. Speaker. Like other members I am anxious to help him get started on his second 30 years. In view of the report in yesterday's Montreal *Star* by W. A. Wilson of certain harassment of his family by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, will the Solicitor General have an investigation made not only into this case but into the extent to which the RCMP is carrying on harassment of this kind?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker, I am quite familiar with the subject matter of the story in the Montreal *Star*. I must say that the part which related to me personally and to the allegations about the telephone call from me is totally wrong in substance and in fact. As to the other part of the article, I did check into that matter rather thoroughly myself because I was concerned in case there had been harassment by the police. I found that there was no harassment by the police but there was some unfortunate and improper conversation by the police in that case. However, they were properly there, for a proper purpose.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Will the minister deal with the other part of my question and inquire to find out whether this kind of harassment has taken place in other cases?

Mr. McIlraith: Mr. Speaker, I thought I made it clear that I found there was no harassment in this case. That being so, I do not know how I can find out if there is similar harassment in other cases. If the hon. gentleman has in mind any other case that he would care to mention, I will certainly have it looked into.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

[*Translation*]

Mr. Pierre De Bané (Matane): Mr. Speaker, I want to ask a supplementary question to the Solicitor General of Canada.

In view of the incident reported earlier, does he intend to ask the members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police not to question young children about their parents' behaviour?