

Inquiries of the Ministry

appropriate Minister, of which I failed to give you notice. Can the appropriate Minister inform the House when action is going to be taken to implement the Civil Service survey or report intended to improve the economic circumstances of employees of this House?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, assuming that the hon. Member is referring to the staff board report rather than the Civil Service report, the answer is tomorrow.

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**SOUTH VIET NAM—PARTICIPATION BY
CANADIAN TROOPS**

On the orders of the day:

[*Translation*]

Mr. Guy Marcoux (Quebec-Montmorency): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Secretary of State for External Affairs.

Since the President of the United States has just announced that he is ready to send troops to Viet Nam if the generals of the South Vietnamese army request them, and since Australia and New Zealand have sent contingents to South Viet Nam, has the Canadian government consulted in that connection or did it offer any military assistance to South Viet Nam?

Hon. Paul Martin (Secretary of State for External Affairs): Mr. Speaker, the answer is no.

[*English*]

**DISCUSSION OF NUCLEAR ARMS AGREEMENT
WITH INDIAN PRIME MINISTER**

On the orders of the day:

Hon. Paul Martineau (Pontiac-Témiscamingue): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Prime Minister. Does the Prime Minister intend to discuss an international agreement which is designed to prevent the further spread of nuclear arms in his forthcoming talks with Prime Minister Shastri of India?

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I think in discussing international affairs with the Prime Minister of India, whom we are welcoming tomorrow, this is certainly one subject which will come up.

Mr. Martineau: A supplementary question. Has any draft of any such proposed agreement been brought to the attention of the Prime Minister, or has he himself brought any such draft agreement to the attention of Prime Minister Shastri?

Mr. Pearson: Mr. Speaker, we have been considering draft agreements on this subject, but I am not in a position to say whether any particular draft will be considered tomorrow.

FISHERIES**NORTH ATLANTIC COMMISSION—
CONSIDERATION OF SALMON
CONSERVATION**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Lloyd R. Crouse (Queens-Lunenbourg): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the attention of the Minister of Fisheries. Last year the Danes increased their catch of salmon on the Greenland coast from 200 tons to 1,200 tons, among which were found tagged salmon from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Newfoundland. As the International Commission on the North Atlantic Fisheries is presently meeting in Halifax and it is my understanding that the question of the conservation of our salmon resources is not on the agenda, would the Minister impress upon the conference the importance of discussing and attempting to resolve this problem, which is of vital importance to our inshore fishermen and to our tourist industry?

Hon. H. J. Robichaud (Minister of Fisheries): Mr. Speaker, in reply to the hon. Member I first wish to mention that I believe he is misinformed when he says that the problem of salmon being caught in Greenland waters is not on the agenda. As a matter of fact I arrived back from Halifax yesterday and the matter is being brought up at the annual meeting of ICNAF which is now taking place. Furthermore, I wish to state that this situation is of serious concern not only to Canada but to other countries which are interested in this fishery. The matter is more complicated because a proportion of the catch is being caught in what could be considered as Greenland territorial waters.

DOMINION-PROVINCIAL RELATIONS**QUEBEC—ADDRESS TO HER MAJESTY
RESPECTING PROVINCIAL
CONSTITUTION**

On the orders of the day:

[*Translation*]

Mr. L. J. Pigeon (Joliette-L'Assomption-Montcalm): Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct a question to the Prime Minister.

Can he tell the House if he did state yesterday that the Address to Her Majesty the