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FROBISHER BAY, NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1980

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ITEM NO. 1: PRAYER

---Prayer

SPEAKER (Hon. Don Stewart): Item 2 of the orders of the day, continuing replies to the Commissioner's Address.

ITEM NO. 2: CONTINUING REPLIES TO COMMISSIONER'S ADDRESS

Mr. Braden.

Mr. Braden's Reply

HON. GEORGE BRADEN: Mr. Speaker, thank you for this opportunity to offer some brief remarks in reply to the Commissioner's opening statement. Mr. Parker has already given you a somewhat detailed report on the activities of the Executive Committee, particularly since our last meeting in June at Baker Lake. I do not propose to dwell on these issues, but rather I want to offer some comments on the evolution of the Executive Committee during our first year in office, and also a few remarks on major issues which will be facing us in this and future sessions.

As Ministers we have all been accused, if I can use that expression, of being controlled from time to time by the administration. Mr. Speaker, to a certain extent this is true. We on the Executive, particularly Mr. Wah-Shee and Mr. Nerysoo, have all come to realize the complexity of government and have experienced the large amount of time and energy required to make the decisions in response to issues raised by both the Assembly and the government itself. That the administration at times burdens the Ministers with paper, meetings and with their own ideas, is of course understood and a fact of life in the Executive. Nevertheless I believe that the current Executive Committee has, over the past year, shown itself to be aggressive and hard working. I believe that we have worked hard to take direction from this House and translate this direction into action within the government. We have also taken the initiative ourselves, which I believe is important in our capacity as Ministers and leaders. At times we have been criticized by this House and our constituents for this action, but I feel that in most cases it was necessary in light of circumstances.

Now, my purpose today is not to heap praise on the Executive Committee. Rather, I believe that our actions during the past year have illustrated that both the Executive and the administration are able to work towards compromise between various interests in the North and those from the South which we must deal with. If we can for one moment step back and reflect upon the change in government, we will see an institution which has been able to begin communicating to attempt to break down the real and perceived problems which have kept the North divided. Indeed, I am confident that the debate here in Frobisher will reflect the willingness and insistence that the government and Legislature want to maintain this momentum.

Representative Of All Northerners

Mr. Speaker, I believe that this session will be one of a series of historical sessions in the life of this Legislature. I am hopeful that in our debate about the constitutional future of the North we will be able to hear the views and ideas of other groups and organizations representing native people, non-native people and all northerners generally.

There may be times, Mr. Speaker, when the Executive asks questions or expresses views which cause intense debate or generate some doubt about our intention. I suggest, Mr. Speaker, that in these instances the Executive's intention is to contribute, to the maximum extent possible, to the resolution of the major issues.

In the final analysis we are the servants of the Legislature. We attempt, to the maximum extent possible, to follow the direction provided by this House. If I may say, Mr. Speaker, this was reflected in caucus this morning. The challenges for this Legislature and especially for the Executive Committee are only just beginning. The next three years of our mandate will require patience, understanding, compromise and, most of all, hard work. The present Executive Committee, hopefully to be expanded in the near future, is dedicated to these objectives.

To conclude, Mr. Speaker, I consider it an honour to serve the people of my constituency in the Northwest Territories and to represent this House in the Executive at such an important period in our history. In one year I believe we have made remarkable progress towards being a truly responsible and representative government and Legislature. The remainder of our term in thoughtful consideration and resolution of major issues can only contribute further to these objectives. Thank you very much.

---Applause

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr. Braden. Mr. Patterson, we had made an agreement yesterday and were you finished with your address yesterday? I had taken it that at 40 minutes you were but possibly you were not. We had guaranteed you the floor again today if you had not completed yesterday.

MR. PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am not finished talking in this House, but I have completed my reply. Thank you.

---Applause

MR. SPEAKER: I was fully aware of the latter remark, thank you. Continuing replies to the Commissioner's Address. There appear to be no more. Item 3, oral questions.

ITEM NO. 3: ORAL QUESTIONS

Mr. Curley.

Question 107-80(2): Building Of Regional High School In Keewatin

MR. CURLEY: Yes. Mr. Speaker, my question is to the Minister of Education. Has the Minister acted on the recommendation made to the Executive Committee by this Assembly at the last winter session, that it proceed with the building of a regional high school in the Keewatin region? Furthermore, the education committees in that region have asked the Minister to make a decision and would he be prepared to announce at this time whether or not policy has been made with respect to the building of the high school which is very urgently required in that region? Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER: Hon. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Mr. Speaker, I will take the question as notice and file a reply before the completion of this session.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Further oral questions? Mr. Patterson. Mr. MacQuarrie.

Question 108-80(2): Health Care Services In Settlements

MR. MacQUARRIE: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My question is for the Minister of Health. Mr. Minister, during debate in the first part of this session in Baker Lake you gave an undertaking that steps would be taken to try to improve health care services in the smaller communities of the Northwest Territories. Would you please tell this House what progress has been made in the interim?

MR. SPEAKER: Hon. Mr. McCallum.

Return To Question 108-80(2): Health Care Services In Settlements

HON. ARNOLD McCALLUM: Mr. Speaker, the Member refers I think specifically to the kinds of things that we, the government and through the government Department of Health have attempted to do in providing medical care to people in various parts of the Territories, specifically in the smaller areas. We have begun a survey of health needs and have entered into a contract with a group, a consultant firm from outside the Territories to look at the total health situation in the Central Arctic. We have involved people of the Central Arctic in this study, including the Member from the Central Arctic, to determine just who should conduct this study. That study is presently under way. There is as well a health study being carried on by ITC, Inuit Tapirisat of Canada, in the Keewatin. As regards this government's aspiration of taking on and being the delivery agent for the provision of all health services in the Territories, we have already or I have already begun conversations and communications with both the national Minister of Health and Welfare and the national Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development as to the probability and possibility of this government entering into a contractual arrangement whereby we would be responsible for the delivery of health services and we would like to begin this here in the Baffin. I have a further meeting with the Minister, Madame Bégin, in early December to try to work out the first arrangements for this kind of contractual agreement. We would hopefully include within that agreement the takeover, if you like, and be responsible for the operation of the Frobisher Bay General Hospital. That would involve, of course, many other aspects of health delivery in the eastern Baffin. We would continue to work to provide these kinds of services for people in the Keewatin as well as in the West.

I have had tremendous support from the Baffin Regional Council and from ITC through the efforts of other Members of this Assembly in getting this kind of support for this government to enter into those contracts. We are not, Mr. Speaker, talking about a transfer of responsibility. We are talking about entering into a contractual arrangement. I have as well over the past period of time since we last met in Baker Lake entered into discussions with the ministers from other parts of Canada, the other provinces with a view to attempting to attract medical people, particularly doctors from these various universities where they are now students attending. I would hope that during our winter session, that I would be able to table a white paper or at least an indication of how we think we should be progressing even further trying to improve the delivery of health services to people in the Territories. That would, of course, involve not only attracting or trying to promote more northern high school students into the medical profession but, of course, trying to work out arrangements with the present students from high schools who are about to go into university and as well trying to attract people who are taking medical courses now and pursuing a career in medicine. I think, Mr. Speaker, that we have made positive attempts...

MR. SPEAKER: Sorry. We are evidently having sound problems. Mr. Minister. Just hold it for a few minutes until we can get the sound problem cleared up. Mr. Clerk, can we see what we can do about the sound today? Apparently there is no one in the building at the present time. We will have to send for someone so we will stand recessed for ten minutes until the sound system is repaired.

---SHORT RECESS

MR. SPEAKER: The House will come to order please. The gremlins have been at work again with our sound system. We really have not located any particular problem but we will try it again, and if we do have trouble would somebody give me an indication please?

Now, with regard to the reply of the Hon. Member Mr. McCallum, he can carry on from where he stopped or should he start from the beginning? How bad was the sound situation? The indications are you can continue from where you left off. The Hon. Mr. McCallum.

Further Reply To Question 108-80(2): Health Care Services In Settlements

HON. ARNOLD McCALLUM: Mr. Speaker, thank you. I would just simply like to indicate, as I have already said, we have a program review ongoing now in the Central Arctic to be completed by March 15, 1981. As I indicated we entered into this review in conjunction with the representatives of KIA, Keewatin Inuit Association, and the Member from the Central Arctic. We have talked with the people who are doing this study and doing the review. The department has lobbied with Health and Welfare Canada on having local doctors to go in and out of Cambridge Bay, and we have offered the services of specialists from Stanton Yellowknife Hospital to the area as well.

In the Baffin as I indicated, our department has now entered into discussions with Health and Welfare Canada about the contracting of the services provided by Health and Welfare Canada for the Baffin. There will be more detailed discussions on that aspect later in the next month when my deputy minister will be involved with the deputy minister and assistant deputy minister of Health from the federal government. As I indicated we have support from the Baffin Regional Council and the ITC through the efforts of the other Members of this Assembly to continue on in that particular direction.

I had indicated there was of course a study in the Keewatin, and I have had, I as well as other members of the department, have had many discussions with Health and Welfare on the number of doctors and dentists and trying to determine that there would at least be a dental therapist in the area within the coming year but that particular study in the Keewatin will not be finalized until April of next year.

As regards the Charles Camsell Hospital, we have had discussions with the assistant deputy minister of hospitals in Alberta, and we have been able to negotiate with that province a preferred rate, if you like, on a sliding scale for the period between the transfer of the hospital from the federal government to the Government of Alberta, which as far as I know will take place on the first of December, so we have been able to get a preferred rate for people from the North from December 1st until April 1, 1980, but there has been nothing more that we can get from the province of Alberta. Members will recall when we were talking about the cost of the provision of health services through Charles Camsell that we anticipate that the daily patient cost will rise to at least \$185 a day, and it could conceivably go well over \$200 when Alberta brings forth its budget in the early part of next year.

We have attempted in the department to streamline the medical transportation system by bringing it into one department, that is the Department of Health. The payment mechanism for medical transportation, that of the Department of Health and Welfare Canada, and the repatriation method, that is when we are bringing people back in, the details of the actual policy and procedures of bringing people back into the Territories once they have gone outside for medical services, the hostel accommodations, the escort service that would have to be provided, we are presently working out those particular concerns in conjunction with the Department of Social Services, the Department of Health and the Department of National Health and Welfare. We have met, that is the department's officials, have met with Health and Welfare Canada in Inuvik to discuss care for the aged and the handicapped, and we are attempting to provide the community with a mechanism of identifying the requirements and we are of course willing to do that with other communities as the communities bring forth their requests.



In short then, Mr. Speaker, I think that our department has been very active over the last three and a half to four months in terms of getting something done with this whole problem of health, medical care for people in the Northwest Territories. I look forward to the first of the year being in a position through contractual arrangements with National Health and Welfare to really provide a better level of service and hence have a greater impact on the health delivery system in the various regions, and I would hope to get the continued support of this House and other Members as we move towards that kind of relationship with Health and Welfare Canada. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Curley.

Question 109-80(2): Doctors And Staff In The Keewatin Region

MR. CURLEY: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary to Mr. MacQuarrie's question. This is to the Minister of Health. The medical and health problems in my region require urgent attention, not a long-term study and presently there are no doctors or general practitioners for at least 4000 people in that region, the Keewatin region. I understand the Minister is saying that unless the study is completed and so on that he is really not in a position to hire a general practitioner so that this person can begin to deal with the urgent health problems and the health conditions of my people in that area. Could the Minister be a bit more specific, whether or not he is prepared to look into the possibility of hiring a doctor and make that person a general practitioner and place him in a place like Rankin Inlet or not or can he not do it unless the health report has been completed?

MR. SPEAKER: Mr. Minister.

Return To Question 109-80(2): Doctors And Staff In The Keewatin Region

HON. ARNOLD McCALLUM: Mr. Speaker, I want to indicate that I am not opposed to attempting to get medical practitioners into the areas that have been identified, into the Keewatin. We have attempted and are in discussion now with National Health and Welfare to see if they will of course put medical practitioners in there. I have not received any kind of a definitive answer one way or the other from them but I would attempt to set the Member at ease by indicating to him that if we do not get some kind of a response very quickly then we will make every attempt to provide that kind of medical service to that area.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr. Minister. Item 3, oral questions. Mr. MacQuarrie.

Question 110-80(2): Dismissal Of Teacher In Fort Smith

MR. MacQUARRIE: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have another question for the Minister of Education. Mr. Minister -- I think the Minister of Education is not tuned in right at the moment. I have a question for the Minister of Education. Mr. Minister, during the first part of this session in Baker Lake I raised a question concerning the administration actions in the termination of a music teacher's contract in Fort Smith and those questions were not answered during that session. In September I wrote a letter to the Minister asking for a reply and I was informed that I would soon be advised of progress in the matter. Would the Minister now please indicate what is the situation with regard to those questions? I would like to know the answers and I would also appreciate knowing why it has taken such a long time to provide them.

MR. SPEAKER: Mr. Minister.

Partial Return To Question 110-80(2): Dismissal Of Teacher In Fort Smith

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Mr. Speaker, the answers to the questions asked by the hon. Member will be before the House at this session. I believe his question at Baker Lake was a written question and he will be receiving a written reply. I would indicate to him personally that I will attempt to give him the responses prior to the time of tabling that reply and I would have done so yesterday but I lost my briefcase. Since that time I have sent the material to be written in a form acceptable to this House. So, he will have the material before it is tabled and it will be tabled at this session.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Oral questions. Mr. Curley. With regard to oral questions there should be a question and not necessarily a speech on the subject. Could you try and keep your questions to questions please?

Question 111-80(2): Minister Travelling To Keewatin Without Advising MLA

MR. CURLEY: Mr. Speaker, I have a question of the Minister of Economic Development. I understand that the Minister made a trip to my constituency. Will the Minister confirm that he did travel to my constituency and, if he did, why did he not give me the courtesy of being informed if this was on government business and if not, then I would not be so interested in raising the question?

MR. SPEAKER: Hon. Mr. Braden.

Partial Return To Question 111-80(2): Minister Travelling To Keewatin Without Advising MLA

HON. GEORGE BRADEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Yes, I did travel to the hon. Member's constituency, in July of this year, and I apologize for not informing the hon. Member of my presence in this constituency. It was on government business.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Mr. Curley.

Supplementary To Question 111-80(2): Minister Travelling To Keewatin Without Advising MLA

MR. CURLEY: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary. If this was government business, what was the Minister particularly doing in those tourist camps I believe and, if so, what finding did he finally make in that area which might be of interest to me and my constituents?

MR. SPEAKER: Mr. Minister.

Further Return To Question 111-80(2): Minister Travelling To Keewatin Without Advising MLA

HON. GEORGE BRADEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In reply to the hon. Member's supplementary, I was meeting at a lodge with an American senator. We were holding discussions on a number of issues relating to tourism development in the Northwest Territories generally and, more specifically, with respect to an American law which restricts the transport of certain items, which are produced in the Northwest Territories, into the United States. This law, Mr. Speaker, is the Endangered Species Act of the United States, and it restricts the import and sale of certain products made out of ivory and whalebone as well as hides or skins. My discussions with the senator, who is on the committee of the interior dealt with how to approach the United States government to have this law changed in whole or in part. I would add, Mr. Speaker, that changing this law was supported in the North by the travel industry as well as by ITC who say that the sale of certain products being produced in the North is being restricted unduly by this American law.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr. Minister. Oral questions. Mrs. Sorensen.

Question 112-80(2): Constitutional Conference In Ottawa

MRS. SORENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My question is for the leader of the Executive Committee, the Hon. Mr. Braden, and I raise it as a most urgent question, Mr. Speaker. The Liberal government has last night invoked closure on the constitutional debate for Friday. Mr. Braden, it is my understanding that the Northwest Territories government was invited to attend the most recent First Ministers Conference dealing with the patriation of the constitution. I wonder if Mr. Braden could elaborate on his experience at that conference and in particular what input this government has had to date on the 12 items being discussed as part of the writing of the new Canadian constitution.

---Applause

Partial Return To Question 112-80(2): Constitutional Conference In Ottawa

HON. GEORGE BRADEN: Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. The Hon. James Wah-Shee and I attended the First Ministers Conference in September. We were invited to attend by the Prime Minister of Canada and, as I think all of you are aware, we were there as observers. We did not participate directly in the debate over the various constitutional issues nor were we invited to participate in any private sessions. I would say, however, that over the summer months we have been attempting through the office of federal-provincial relations, particularly with Mr. Michael Kirby, to try to keep informed and on top of what is taking place. I think I could state that while we have been informed from time to time on various issues we have not been asked to present directly our government's position or the Legislative Assembly's position to the body which represents not just the federal government but the provincial governments as well. I might add that the Prime Minister suggested that anything we had to say could be directed through the Hon. Jean Chrétien. With all due respect to Mr. Chrétien, the Executive Committee took the position that it would seek to present any reaction to the 12 points through the continuing committee of constitutional ministers which was established last summer and, as I recall, met in Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver.

Now I will say, Mr. Speaker, that we have not had or made any input. Our work on the 12 issues has not progressed to the point where we have a document which we could share with our colleagues here for discussion and direction if necessary. I want to indicate, although I have not received confirmation, that I have asked Mr. Kirby, who is the cabinet secretary to the subcommittee on federal-provincial relations and who also works for Mr. Chrétien and Mr. Roberts on many of these constitutional issues, to come to Frobisher Bay. He expressed a very strong interest in observing the Assembly, meeting Members and discussing the issues. I unfortunately have not received confirmation but I will be calling him in the very near future once we determine the scheduling for the major debate on that unity committee report and the issue as proposed by Mr. Patterson.

I think I should mention a couple of other points in response to the hon. Member for Yellowknife South. There is provision in the amending formula which is being advanced by the Prime Minister for participation by the ten provinces over a two year period to attempt to work out specific issues relating to fundamental freedoms, democratic rights, mobility rights and so on. In my discussions with the hon. Dennis Patterson, it would appear there is some potential within the draft bill for participation by the two territories. Since discussing it with Mr. Patterson I have not followed up further on it, but I will get legal counsel for the territorial government to investigate it further just to see what potential the territorial government, Legislative Assembly would have for making some input to the Prime Minister's exercise on the constitution.

If I may, Mr. Speaker, just quote from a cartoon which appeared in the latest issue of MacLean's. The cartoon, to a certain extent, summarizes the manner in which the Prime Minister has chosen to go about patriating the constitution and also reflects to some extent the manner in which he has dealt with the territorial government. The remarks in the cartoon are intended to be sung along with a very recent popular tune called "My Way". I will not sing the remarks.

MRS. SORENSEN: Sing, sing.

HON. GEORGE BRADEN: Mr. Speaker, it reads: "And now the end is near. It is time to face the constitution. My friends, I will state my case and offer you this resolution. You have led a life that is full, you live free and in a high way, but no more, no more of this. We will do it my way." Thank you very much.

---Applause

MR. SPEAKER: Item 3, oral questions. Mrs. Sorensen.

Supplementary To Question 112-80(2): Constitutional Conference In Ottawa

MRS. SORENSEN: A supplementary, Mr. Speaker. On the more serious side, Mr. Braden, does the Minister have any plans to seek input from this Assembly concerning those 12 points and do you agree that discussion of those items is of an urgent nature?

Further Return To Question 112-80(2): Constitutional Conference In Ottawa

HON. GEORGE BRADEN: Mr. Speaker, the Executive Committee did of course seek input from the Legislative Assembly and yes it is of an urgent nature. However, as I have noted, we do not have any documentation prepared and I am hoping that Mr. Kirby can visit us and enlighten us all a little further as to what kind of process he envisages taking place over the next few years.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Item 3, oral questions. Mr. Arlooktoo.

Question 113-80(2): Air Strip At Lake Harbour

MR. ARLOOKTOO: (Translation) I would like to address a question to the Department of Local Government which I brought up in Baker Lake. I would like to ask about the air strip at Lake Harbour. This problem should be looked into. I would like to know if that has been given any consideration by the Minister. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER: Mr. Wah-Shee.

HON. JAMES WAH-SHEE: Yes, Mr. Speaker. I would like to take the question as notice and I will give a reply. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Item 3, oral questions. Mr. Patterson.

Question 114-80(2): Tax Relief For Home Owners And Businessmen

MR. PATTERSON: To the Minister of Local Government, Mr. Speaker. Despite notice of two resolutions of this Assembly in Baker Lake in June urging tax relief for home owners, businessmen, has the Executive Committee decided that there will be no tax relief for taxpayers in the Northwest Territories this current year?

MR. SPEAKER: Mr. Wah-Shee.

HON. JAMES WAH-SHEE: Mr. Speaker, I did not get the hon. Member's question due to technical problems.

MR. SPEAKER: Mr. Patterson, could you repeat your question, please?

MR. PATTERSON: Yes, Mr. Speaker. I am referring to the two resolutions made in Baker Lake in June urging tax relief for private home owners and businessmen. In view of the Minister's answer to a question yesterday on this subject do I take it that the Executive Committee has decided that there will be no tax relief for taxpayers in the Northwest Territories this current year?

MR. SPEAKER: Hon. Minister.

Partial Return To Question 114-80(2): Tax Relief For Home Owners And Businessmen

HON. JAMES WAH-SHEE: Mr. Speaker, the hon. Member is correct. We had not intended to propose the tax relief for this current fiscal year, but what we would like to do is make the proposal which will be in place by 1981 fiscal year so that at that time the proposed policy which is being considered by the Executive at this time would be in place.

MR. SPEAKER: Mr. Patterson.

Supplementary To Question 114-80(2): Tax Relief For Home Owners And Businessmen

MR. PATTERSON: Supplementary, Mr. Speaker. Will the Minister consider then building in retroactive provisions to cover the burdens that taxpayers are suffering under this current year?

MR. CURLEY: Hear, hear!

MR. SPEAKER: Mr. Minister.

Further Return To Question 114-80(2): Tax Relief For Home Owners And Businessmen

HON. JAMES WAH-SHEE: Mr. Speaker, the reply is negative.

MR. SPEAKER: Item 3, oral questions. We will move then on to Item 4, questions and returns.

ITEM NO. 4: QUESTIONS AND RETURNS

Written questions. Mr. Patterson.

Question 115-80(2): Jobs Eliminated By Frobisher Bay Utilidor

MR. PATTERSON: This is a written question for the Minister of Local Government. How many jobs is phase five of the Frobisher Bay utilidor expected to eliminate once the project is completed? How many jobs have been eliminated to date by the Frobisher Bay utilidor? What did the Government of the Northwest Territories spend in the costs of maintaining the Frobisher Bay utilidor in the last year? Who will pay for maintenance of the Frobisher Bay utilidor in future years? Has a training program been established to raise the skill levels of local residents to make them employable in new jobs required in the operation of a pipe service as outlined in your return to Question 12-80(1), February 14, 1980? Has a scheme been developed to reduce the burden of hookup costs by the Frobisher Bay utilidor for private home owners as was discussed in your return to Question 11-80(1), February 14th, 1980? Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER: Written questions. Mr. Evaluarjuk.

MR. EVALUARJUK: (Translation) Mr. Speaker...

THE INTERPRETER: I cannot hear him.

MR. SPEAKER: The sound has gone again.

MR. EVALUARJUK: (Translation) Mr. Speaker...

MR. SPEAKER: The sound seems to be okay again. Will you start over again, Mr. Evaluarjuk?

Question 116-80(2): Hunting And Trapping In Hall Beach

MR. EVALUARJUK: (Translation) Mr. Speaker, this question is directed to the Minister of Renewable Resources concerning the hunters and trappers in Hall Beach and Igloolik. They have requested having a policy to have the polar bear season start at the beginning of October and the fox season for April 15. If there are no laws or regulations on this, it has been like this, and on November 1 some of the trappers start trapping rather than wait until November 15. The Hall Beach and Igloolik hunters and trappers would like to have the regulations concerning this matter, and they also wrote a letter to the Commissioner and the Commissioner forwarded the letter to the Minister of Renewable Resources but the Minister has not answered their letter. Has this matter been dealt with or can we get an answer by correspondence? I am not trying to say I would like to have a regulation for the community because we have different regulations for different areas, but they would like to have an earlier season than the others. Hall Beach and Igloolik are in this same area and they would like to ask those questions on the polar bear hunting and fox season, I would like to have them regulated as I have mentioned.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Are there any further written questions?  
Mr. Patterson.

Question 117-80(2): TEP Students Spending More Time In Home Communities

MR. PATTERSON: Mr. Speaker, this is a question for the Minister of Education. At its September 1980 meeting the Baffin regional education society forwarded to you their motion that a flexible field based training program be developed to permit TEP, teacher education program students in Frobisher Bay to have the option of spending more time in their own communities while enrolled in the TEP program, so to encourage more students to enrol in TEP. Has the Department of Education made a decision? Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Written questions. Mr. Tologanak.

Question 118-80(2): Education Facilities In Gjoa Haven

MR. TOLOGANAK: My question is directed to the Hon. Mr. Butters, the Minister of Education. I would like to know what is the present status on the completion of the educational facilities in Gjoa Haven.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Written questions. Mr. Patterson.

Question 119-80(2): Driver's Licence Restricted To Frobisher Bay

MR. PATTERSON: Mr. Speaker, this is to the Minister of Justice. Why is it that it is only possible to obtain a driver's licence restricted to the Northwest Territories in Frobisher Bay and other centres outside Yellowknife, Inuvik and western urban areas?

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Written questions. Mr. Curley.

Question 120-80(2): Satellite Service, Small Communities

MR. CURLEY: My question is to the Minister responsible for communications, and I do not know who that is, but particularly dealing with satellites. In view of the recent approval of the Assembly's recommendation to lower the population size from 250 to 150 to enable satellite TV services in the Northwest Territories, will the Minister indicate whether or not TV services will be provided to Whale Cove this coming summer?

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Are there further written questions? So, we will take the matter of Item 4, questions and returns as being completed. Item 5, petitions.

ITEM NO. 5: PETITIONS

Mr. Patterson.

MR. PATTERSON: Mr. Speaker, I have Petition 8-80(2), and I will read it because it is quite short. Directors of the Quinnuyooaq Society School in Frobisher Bay hereby petition the Legislative Assembly of the Northwest Territories to provide ongoing financial assistance to carry on its work after September, 1981. The Quinnuyooaq Society School is helping young elementary and high school dropouts, boys and girls, to usefully occupy their time, stay out of trouble and learn valuable traditional skills. This is signed by the directors of the Quinnuyooaq Society School in Frobisher Bay.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr. Patterson. Are there any further petitions?

Item 6, tabling of documents.

Item 7, reports of standing and special committees.

Item 8, notices of motion.

ITEM NO. 8: NOTICES OF MOTION

The Hon. Mr. Butters.

Notice Of Motion 37-80(2): Appreciation To Mr. MacQuarrie

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Mr. Speaker, I would like to give notice that I will be seeking unanimous consent today to move the following motion: I move that this House recognize and extend to Robert MacQuarrie its appreciation and gratitude for his untiring and effective service and efforts on behalf of all Members of this Assembly during the period he served as our Speaker.

---Applause

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr. Butters. Notices of motion. Mr. McLaughlin.

Notice Of Motion 38-80(2): Appearance Of Witnesses

MR. McLAUGHLIN: Mr. Speaker, I would like to give notice of motion that on the 27th of October I will move that this Assembly invite representations to be made to the committee of the whole by the various native organizations and other significantly interested groups or persons when it is considering the report of the unity committee. Mr. Speaker, I will be asking for unanimous consent at the appropriate time to deal with this motion today.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr. McLaughlin. Notices of motion. Mrs. Sorensen.

Notice Of Motion 39-80(2): Cost Of Living

MRS. SORENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to give notice of motion that on Monday, October 27, I will move, seconded by the hon. Member from Frobisher Bay the following motion: Now therefore, I move that the Legislative Assembly during this current session in Frobisher Bay, and at the next three sessions, set aside and publicize time for the committee of the whole to hear representations from individuals and/or organizations concerned with the high cost of living in the Northwest Territories.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Notices of motion. Mr. Patterson.

Notice Of Motion 40-80(2): Ongoing Funding To Quinnuayooaq Society School

MR. PATTERSON: Mr. Speaker, I wish to give notice that on Monday, October 27th, 1980 I will move, seconded by the Member from Keewatin South, that the Executive Committee be urged to provide ongoing financial assistance to carry on the work of the Quinnuayooaq Society School in Frobisher Bay beyond September, 1981. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Notices of motion. Mrs. Sorensen.

Notice Of Motion 41-80(2): Negotiations Regarding Northern Canada Power Commission

MRS. SORENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to give notice of motion seconded by the hon. Member from Keewatin South that on Monday, October 27, I will move the following motion: Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly recommend to the Executive Committee that it begin negotiations with the federal government with the objectives that: (1) The NCPC Act be repealed by the parliament of Canada; (2) the Government of Canada sell the assets of the NCPC to a newly created territorial power corporation for the nominal sum of one dollar; (3) and further that the NCPC be turned over debt free to be managed and owned by the people of the Northwest Territories through a territorial power corporation; and further be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly recommend to the Executive Committee that it introduce legislation to create a territorial power corporation at an appropriate time, subject to the outcome of the negotiations with the federal government.

---Applause

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Notices of motion. I take it there are no further notices of motion. Item 9, motions.

ITEM NO. 9: MOTIONS

Mr. Butters, I believe you have one.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Mr. Speaker, I would wish unanimous consent to put the motion I gave notice of earlier today.

MR. SPEAKER: There is a request for unanimous consent to proceed with Mr. Butters' motion. Are there any persons opposed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

MR. SPEAKER: Opposed? There is no apparent opposition. Mr. Butters, proceed.

Motion 37-80(2): Appreciation To Mr. MacQuarrie

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Mr. Speaker:

WHEREAS Robert MacQuarrie was chosen by this House, the Ninth Assembly of the Northwest Territories, as its Speaker at the first session of our collective terms of office and responsibilities as Members;



AND WHEREAS Mr. MacQuarrie has resigned as our Speaker since he adjourned this session at Baker Lake, Northwest Territories, in June;

AND WHEREAS Mr. MacQuarrie has served this House with honour, great diligence and objectiveness since he assumed that demanding responsibilities;

NOW THEREFORE, I move that this House recognize and extend to Robert McQuarrie its appreciation and gratitude for his untiring and effective service and effort on behalf of all Members of this Assembly during the period he served as our Speaker.

---Applause

MR. SPEAKER: I have a motion. Is there a seconder? Mr. McCallum. To the motion.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Question.

Motion 37-80(2), Carried

MR. SPEAKER: The question being called. All those in favour? Those opposed? The motion is carried unanimously.

---Carried

I believe you also have the same request, Mr. McLaughlin.

MR. McLAUGHLIN: I too would like to request the Assembly's permission to proceed by unanimous consent with a motion I presented earlier.

MR. SPEAKER: Request for unanimous consent to proceed with a motion that was read today. All those in favour? Opposed if any? Do I have any opposition? Proceed, Mr. McLaughlin. I hear no opposition.

Motion 38-80(2): Appearance Of Witnesses

MR. McLAUGHLIN: Thank you.

WHEREAS the unity committee report has been presented and will be debated in committee of the whole during this session;

AND WHEREAS the debate will deal with the division of the Northwest Territories including the Nunavut proposal;

AND WHEREAS the report is now public and available to all interested parties;

NOW THEREFORE, I move, seconded by the hon. Member from Keewatin South, that this Assembly invite representations to be made to the committee of the whole by the various native organizations and other significantly interested groups or persons when it is considering the report of the unity committee.

MR. SPEAKER: There is a motion on the floor. Do I have a seconder? Mr. Curley. To the motion.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Question.

Motion 38-80(2), Carried

MR. SPEAKER: The question being called. All those in favour? Opposed if any? The motion is carried.

---Carried

So, I believe that covers motions for today. Item 10, introduction of bills for first reading. Are there any further bills for introduction? Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Mr. Speaker, by way of suggestion to the House and in view of the remaining time left to us today, I would wonder whether the House would consider us moving some of these simple housekeeping bills that we gave notice of yesterday. To do so would require that if we could get such approval we would clean those simple housekeeping bills off the order paper today. I might mention the bills I have in mind are 6-80(2), 7-80(2), 8-80(2), 9-80(2), 10-80(2), 12-80(2) and 14-80(2).

MR. SPEAKER: We have a request for unanimous consent to deal with first readings of bills as mentioned. All those in favour? Mr. Sibbeston.

MR. SIBBESTON: Could I just determine which bills these are? I do not have a list of the numbers that he mentioned.

MR. SPEAKER: Hon. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Yes, Mr. Speaker. In the legislation book there would be Bill 6-80(2), the Judicature Ordinance; Bill 7-80(2), the Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Ordinance; Bill 8-80(2), the Conditional Sales Ordinance; Bill 9-80(2), Bills of Sale Ordinance; Bill 10-80(2), Assignment of Book Debts Ordinance; Bill 12-80(2), Corporation Securities Registration Ordinance; Bill 14-80(2), Securities Ordinance.

MR. SPEAKER: The request then is for unanimous consent to deal with first reading of the bills just listed. Mr. Sibbeston.

MR. SIBBESTON: Mr. Speaker, I certainly do not give my assent to the request made and I submit that Mr. Butters and his other colleagues would be fortunate to get the bills through even if the rules were abided by throughout.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Unanimous consent has been refused.

We will go to Item 12, consideration in committee of the whole of bills, recommendations to the Legislative Assembly and other matters.

ITEM NO. 12: CONSIDERATION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF BILLS, RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AND OTHER MATTERS

Motion 20-80(2).

HON. GEORGE BRADEN: Mr. Speaker, why did the Member refuse consent on this request for first reading of bills?

MR. SPEAKER: If you have not had unanimous consent to waive the time period and get first reading, then for second reading you would have to have two, but on consent to waive the two day period one is sufficient. Motion 20-80(2), Agreements with COPE Re Inuvialuit Land Rights Settlements. Ms. Cournoyea is not here at the present time and she has given an indication she would like this set aside until she is here. It is the first order of business on the paper. Do I have your permission to set it aside?

---Agreed

Sessional Paper 3-80(2), Northwest Territories Police Advisory Commission. There is a paper on this matter. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Yes, Mr. Speaker. We would certainly be prepared to go ahead and discuss and hear discussion on this matter. I would point out to the House that I do not have available with me the experts in this area. I had hoped approximately it would be included in the second week of our session, but in view of the lack of business we appear to have on the order paper I would be happy to see Members discuss it here and maybe defer a decision on it until later in the session.

MR. SPEAKER: Has the paper been translated?

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Yes, Mr. Speaker, it was translated and placed in the hands of Members at Baker Lake.

MR. SPEAKER: Well then we will proceed as far as we can with this particular item. Moving into committee of the whole to discuss Sessional Paper 3-80(2), Northwest Territories Police Advisory Commission, with Mr. Fraser in the chair.

---Legislative Assembly resolved into committee of the whole for consideration of Sessional Paper 3-80(2), Northwest Territories Police Advisory Commission. with Mr. Fraser in the chair.

PROCEEDINGS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE TO CONSIDER SESSIONAL PAPER 3-80(2):  
NORTHWEST TERRITORIES POLICE ADVISORY COMMISSION

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): I recognize the clock as 2:30 p.m. We will take a 15 minute coffee break.

---SHORT RECESS

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): The Chair recognizes a quorum. I am not sure how we are going to deal with this Police Advisory Commission paper. Has everybody got their translation of this sessional paper? They do.  
Hon. Mr. Butters.

Police Advisory Commission Paper

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. As I indicated, I would have preferred to have some of my more knowledgeable officials from the department present, but I do not think that is necessary to proceed on discussion of this item.

By way of history, the Members will recall that the paper before you is a result of a motion of this House, I believe, last fall. The objective of the paper is found in the first page of the document that was presented to the Executive Committee from the department and that is to review present policing services policy as it relates to the possible creation of a northern police force through the creation of a territorial police advisory commission.

The next paragraph also is valuable background. Following the acceptance of the northern policing paper presented to the second session of the Ninth Assembly, the Assembly urged the motion by an item for action number 1069-80 to establish a territorial police advisory commission. This commission would determine the form by which a northern police force could be established that would reflect the interests of all native peoples and northerners in the Northwest Territories. Members will recall that the paper was before them at Baker Lake and there was an attempt made by one of the Members...

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): I think they are having trouble with the translation again. Will you just hold it for a minute? Is that okay now? Sorry.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Thank you, sir. There was an attempt made by one of the Members in the last hour and a half of our last day of business to look at this matter, but unfortunately time did not permit such to occur. As a result we have continued to anticipate that there would be approval from the membership to proceed with this item. To that extent we have included in our anticipated budget for the fiscal year 1981-82 an item of \$205,000 which is justified on page two of the document before Members and the other thing we have done is to keep on top of the 3B policing initiative which the federal government has offered to us and which we have accepted. In that vein we have agreed on the placing of five 3B policemen in the Territories during this fiscal year, one being at Resolute Bay, another being at Aklavik, another being at Rae and I just forget the placement of the final two. We are also looking at including in our budget an item which would see the 3B option included and carried out in the next fiscal year. I would be very grateful if I could count on the assistance of my colleague from the Eastern Arctic, the hon. Dennis Patterson, to assist me. I have kept him informed of the progress we have been making and have relied a great deal on his advice and suggestions, so possibly, sir, he might assist me in presenting this paper as well.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Hon. Mr. Butters. Mr. Patterson, have you any further comments to make on the hon. Member's opening remarks?

Limitations Must Be Realized

MR. PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and Mr. Butters. First let me say that I am very happy to see how swiftly this paper was prepared and delivered in response to a concern not only of this Assembly but of many previous assemblies. I am happy that it is here and I also must say that I think what has been recommended by and large is what is needed in the Northwest Territories now.

We have to be very careful about recognizing our limitations at the moment because not having an attorney general or at least not having our own attorney general, we have an attorney general, but that is the Minister of Justice for Canada, so we do not have our own attorney general in the way the provinces do. As a result of that limitation, we are limited in the role that we can take in directing our territorial police force and I do agree that at this point in time, it is wrong to suggest that the proposed police advisory commission should get into the sort of matters that police commissions are dealing with in the provinces, being the handling of disciplinary complaints and reviewing the day-to-day operations of the police. I think recommendation seven of the report on page three recommends that the commission should not report on the day-to-day operations of the RCMP. I think that eventually this must happen. I think there must be a public complaint procedure in the Northwest Territories which will allow independent investigation of police complaints and that there should be a way whereby people can make complaints against the police other than through their own internal disciplinary system. This is a subject that is a matter of great controversy in southern Canada now. It is expected that the McDonald Commission may well make recommendations to improve those problems and the responsibility of the police to attorneys general and the people they serve. I guess what I am trying to say, in sum, is that we should not attempt to get into that area at this stage. I think having an advisory commission is going to promote the sort of changes that we are concerned about.

I would like to if I may, Mr. Chairman, make a few specific comments. I was a little unhappy to see the very last paragraph on the first page, the suggestion that "The prime objective is to improve the law enforcement aspect of the criminal justice system as it relates to the needs of the peoples of the Northwest Territories."

#### Preventive Policing Should Be Enforced

I think we have too much law enforcement if anything, in the Northwest Territories. I do not think that law enforcement is a problem. Although, if the writer of the paper is suggesting that we need perhaps more human law enforcement, and different kinds of law enforcement, than I agree, but I would very much like to see the emphasis also include what I call preventive policing, that there is an enforcement side of it, there is an enforcement side to our game management area as well, but it is not necessarily the thing we should be concentrating on with this police commission. I think we should be concentrating on finding ways to help the police prevent crimes and work with communities to prevent crimes and seek alternatives to imprisonment and alternatives to criminal charges. So, when we get into detailed discussion, I think I am going to suggest that that particular phrase be amended to include the notion of preventive policing.

Another specific comment I have has to do with recommendation four and that is the membership on the commission. I am very concerned that we handle this in a way that will encourage maximum co-operation of the RCMP. When Chief Superintendent Buttler came to a previous session and went on the hot seat, he was asked some pretty tough questions and I am sure that if we handle it well this police advisory commission will be a much more satisfactory way of dealing with the sort of concerns that were raised in that public forum.

However, it is striking to me that we have not included a representative of the RCMP on the commission, and I would feel that unless that happens, we could be in danger of having an us/them situation develop. So, I think I will recommend that a senior representative of the RCMP actually sit on the commission because I think they have practical and administrative concerns that should be brought up while the committee is discussing recommendations. I think if the

RCMP felt that they had a representative there on the commission, and it should be a senior person -- unfortunately, their policing and community relations officer is not particularly a very senior member and I think in this commission we may want to invite a senior member of the RCMP to participate. So, I would say in addition, subject to what other Members have to say, but I would say in addition in that area.

If I might make one more comment, Mr. Chairman, looking at the terms of reference, section two, the implementation of a pilot RCMP option 3B project. This gave me some concern because I think really the commission itself should decide what kind of new programs it is going to recommend, and it may be that they will recommend implementing the 3B project.

#### Development Of New Project

The 3B project, in the sense of hiring native special constables, is a program that is in a modified form in the Northwest Territories now and the fact that we want to set up this police advisory commission suggests to me that it may not be working as well as it could and we may want to in fact go beyond the possibilities suggested by option 3B. So, when we get around to discussing the terms of reference, Mr. Chairman, I think I will recommend that we make the possibility of new projects more up to the commission and not tell them "implement 3B". I am not sure if we should do that at this point but I think we should encourage them to develop new projects, but let them decide what they are going to recommend because 3B project in my opinion may well be too confining and we should look for new solutions in the Northwest Territories which can do better than 3B.

Subject to those reservations, Mr. Chairman, I will certainly support the adoption of this paper and urge that we put the commission into operation. Thank you.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Patterson. Mr. Butters, have you any further opening remarks?

HON. TOM BUTTERS: No, sir, and I realize that I am presuming upon your general good nature, but some of the questions raised by Mr. Patterson I could not cover in my opening remarks and I wonder if I might address them before hearing from some other Members.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Mr. Butters, I have other names on the list. Would you like him to finish, Mr. Evaluarjuk, with his opening remarks?

MR. EVALUARJUK: (Translation) Mr. Chairman, I have a few remarks regarding the Northwest Territories police advisory commission and I would like to mention just a few. There is no one here from the RCMP to represent them. I am not trying to speak against them, but if the RCMP are going to be talked about, I think I heard before that in Frobisher even CBC people have been saying that the RCMP do not do their jobs very well, but to my knowledge the RCMP are enforcers of the laws and if we just say they are not working properly then we should do something about it. For example, the people are not concerned about the RCMP so much. Maybe they have put in this paper things like the non-alcoholic things, those are not being handled, there is no criminal thing against that. Because of that, concerning the police advisory commission, have you thought that if there was a better law that it should be made, that we are going to be talking about the RCMP doing their jobs well, then maybe we should make a law concerning that to make it better.

Maybe somebody can answer my question or maybe the alcohol education committee can recommend that a law should be made, maybe they could approve that. That is all I wanted to say.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Evaluarjuk. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Mr. Chairman, the very real concern raised by the Member has been the subject of consideration by the Executive Committee. However, officials from the Department of Justice have only been members of that study and possibly Mr. McCallum could address himself to the concerns that the hon. Member from Foxe Basin has raised.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Butters. The Hon. Mr. McCallum.

Abuse Of Solvents A Problem

HON. ARNOLD McCALLUM: Mr. Speaker, or rather, Mr. Chairman, as Mr. Butters has indicated, those concerns, what the Member has indicated have been a topic of discussion at Executive Committee meetings, and I know the concern has been expressed by a number of people and we as an Executive and within the Department of Social Services, have real difficulty in determining what can be done and of course involved with this not just in Social Services but in terms of Health as well.

There are other Members in the House who have brought this up and one of the other Members, the Member from Sanikiluaq has indicated this to me as well, the fact that at the last meeting of the standing committee on legislation, Mr. Appaqaq indicated that that was a concern in his community. At the present time across Canada there is a concern, not so much in terms of glue sniffing if you like or aerosols, but there is in terms of the use of drugs, with the possible changes in federal legislation, not to make simple possession of certain drugs a criminal offence and obviously transporting or dealing in them would continue, but there is a concern being expressed by many communities of the abuse of solvents and other things in communities and it is being expressed more and more.

I have been involved in discussions on a legal basis with other people, right at the national level with the Solicitor General Mr. Kaplan, and other Members as to what can be done about this. What we would hope to be able to do of course, is to work with the RCMP, to work with community councils, to work with public health nurses, nurses in particular communities, to embark upon a program, an educational kind of program to have people, or the Hudson's Bay for example or other stores in various communities, to indicate by means if you like posters, to place them up, to talk with parents, small groups in communities and to point out the hazards to health, especially among very young children. It has been noted, Mr. Chairman, that in certain communities children as young as five, six, or seven years of age are involved in this particular kind of practice.

Now, I do not have any easy or single answer to it, and I am not sure about the legalities, whether anything can be done in terms of a provision of law, but certainly in terms of health, in terms of schools, we should be able to do something in that respect and between the Department of Health, the Department of Social Services and Education, I think that is what we would want to attempt at this time. I do not know if I have anything else to offer, Mr. Chairman, other than that.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. McCallum. I do not know if it answers your question and it certainly did not answer mine. However, we will let Mr. Evaluarjuk answer that.

MR. EVALUARJUK: (Translation) Thank you, Mr. Chairman. We all probably know that people around 16 years of age, before 16 years of age, use all that kind of thing and it seems we do not have any judges concerning these small kids and probably there are juvenile courts in Frobisher or in other communities, but it seems like the smaller communities do not get any information on that because nobody from outside, no one seems to be coming in to talk about that and maybe that is the reason why they forget about it, like kids around 13 or

14 years. There cannot be a law where a kid less than 16 can be put into court. You cannot blame the parents. We probably know from the settlements that people are breaking into places looking for some high stealings and if someone could have a juvenile court committee to go into different settlements perhaps that would be a good idea and that is all I wanted to say.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Evaluarjuk. I have Mr. MacQuarrie next on the list.

MR. MacQUARRIE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. If Mr. Butters is going to expand on his remarks I would hope that he would include something more about the 3B project. I had the understanding that it was a bit more than what Mr. Patterson suggested and so I would very much appreciate if Mr. Butters could tell us precisely what is the nature of that program.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. MacQuarrie. Hon. Mr. Butters.

#### Hiring Of Natives Should Be Implemented

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. That is one of the things I was going to comment on in Mr. Patterson's opening statement. I recognize that the recommendation two seems to presume on the eventual operation of the advisory commission by requesting that they implement the 3B project. At the time the suggestion was first made this government was not involved in the 3B project and I guess we had expected that the advisory commission initiative would move more quickly than it has. Since it has not moved, I guess I have taken responsibility of moving in this area and as a result of that have approved the arrangement, an arrangement between this government and the federal government of putting 3B positions in place this fiscal year and projecting another five for the next year. Again I have done that because the offer has been extended to us and as there has been no direction from the House, I have felt that the opportunity could not be missed and I have moved.

Now the 3B option, as I understand it, was explained very briefly when this debate first began I believe. It was indicated there that our sister jurisdiction in the Yukon has entered into an arrangement with the federal government to implement the option. I think I said then that the 3B option as developed by the federal government initially to date does not meet the needs of the North in its entirety. It was established by the federal government to meet the concerns and requests from bands in the South that wished their own police to be policing their areas. The solution to that request was a joint program which the federal government offered to such people, had them trained by the RCMP and then assigned to bands to provide police services on reserves.

The territorial government has been slow to take this up, as I said, because we did not feel that the same situation quite applies, but we do recognize that if the federal government is willing to pay half of the cost, which I think is the arrangement, of providing such policing, then we would be remiss if we did not move in this area. What we have done to date, as I indicated, with consultation in communities, through community councils, we have attempted to determine those communities which are chiefly interested in acquiring a local person to become involved in and provide policing services, in that community.

#### Native RCMP In Arctic Areas

It was very interesting in the examination we did of the current distribution of members of the force in the Northwest Territories to find that in the Arctic areas almost every RCM Police detachment had on its staff a native person. I think Resolute Bay was one that was an exception to this rule and Tuktoyaktuk was also an exception, so that for the first five placements of those 3B



positions we have agreed that Resolute Bay should be staffed with one of the positions and the remaining four would go to the bush communities because this advantage is not enjoyed by the Dene communities. So that of the five we have moved on, as I say, four have been assigned to the Dene communities. I do not know if that explains or is helpful to Mr. MacQuarrie but that is the best I can do.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Hon. Mr. Butters. Mr. MacQuarrie.

MR. MACQUARRIE: Is there not an additional factor in that those who wish to become regular RCMP officers, is there something in the training program that permits that to happen under special regulations?

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Hon. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Mr. Chairman, I would be very surprised if such a provision were not included, but I am not prepared to respond to any detailed questions today. I will obtain information on that and advise the committee at the earliest opportunity.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Hon. Mr. Butters. Mr. Stewart.

#### Two Papers Conflicting

HON. DON STEWART: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I was wondering if the Minister might advise me if these two papers that we have are not somewhat in conflict in terms of page five of the first section on the second bottom line that the commission "advise this government on policing in an advisory capacity only at this stage." If we go to the last page, page four in the second part of the summary or terms of reference, the last two lines there "the essential factors at hand, take action to a successful conclusion." How can you combine those two thoughts? It appears to me that one or the other is wrong.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Hon. Mr. Stewart. Hon. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Well, Mr. Chairman, I guess I am looking at provision six on page two.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Page four, provision ten, terms of reference.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Yes, I see the point that the Member raises. I guess the words in almost the last line "take action" seem quite general. I would assume the action here would be in keeping with the name which reflects the Commissioner's function and that is advisory. I would assume from that the action which would be required would be to deal with the initiatives as developed from recommendations and advice to the Government of the Northwest Territories, for direction which would be satisfactory to this House.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Hon. Mr. Butters. Hon. Mr. Stewart.

HON. DON STEWART: I find the "take action" part possibly is all right, but "to a successful conclusion", can you cover that mistake up, Mr. Butters?

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Hon. Mr. Stewart. Hon. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: I assume "to a successful conclusion" would be to a successful conclusion of the commission and obviously the commission cannot and would not be implementing these recommendations. They would be developing them as the unity committee develops recommendations and matters for this House to consider. So a successful conclusion I would assume here would be such a development of the objectives and directions which would then be placed by the Minister for Justice before the House and committee of the whole for consideration, approval if it were desirable.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Hon. Mr. Butters. Hon. Mr. Stewart.

HON. DON STEWART: I do not want to beat this thing to death but I do not see how when you are setting up something in an advisory capacity only at this stage that you can conclude and state in your terms of reference that they have to, after considering the essential factors at hand, take action to a successful conclusion because they do not have that power. You have not given them that power.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Hon. Mr. Stewart. Hon. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Mr. Chairman, I welcome the Member's comments and I believe it would be in order if other Members agreed for him to make an amendment to the summary portion.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Hon. Mr. Butters. Maybe we are going to need some outside help before this is over yet. Comments of a general nature? If there are no further comments, I would like some direction from the Members as to how they want to deal with this. Mr. Patterson.

MR. PATTERSON: Yes, Mr. Chairman. Let us go through the recommendations one by one starting on page one and then go through the terms of reference, is what I would suggest.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Mr. Patterson, you suggest we start at page one in the first section, recommendations, go through the six recommendations and then go through the terms of reference. Is that it?

MR. PATTERSON: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Is that agreed? I do not hear too many "agrees". Agreed, Mr. Butters?

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Mr. Chairman, I just wondered. As I mentioned, I would prefer to have some professional advice to answer these questions on some of the things that refer to technical matters. I would, in view of the fact that we are not meeting at a centre where this advice is readily available, I would like to have a day certain when this item will be discussed and I will ensure that such advice is available to the committee.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Butters. We have a request of the Minister that we hold this over until we can get some professional advice. Is that agreed? Mr. Patterson.

MR. PATTERSON: Well, why do we not see if we can go through it without relying on the Minister and if there are some problems that come up we can set another time, but I think it is a matter of pretty well common sense. We are talking about a commission that is going to be composed of ordinary people and if we need a professional to set up the commission really maybe it is too complicated. I would like to suggest we look at the recommendations one by one and if the Minister wishes to seek advice, fine, but I bet you we can get through this without having to call in a pro. There are a couple of lawyers in the Assembly and we have got a Legal Advisor here. We all have an interest in the operation of the RCMP. I imagine we can struggle through this, Mr. Chairman. Sometimes experts fog things rather than clear them.

MR. CURLEY: Hear, hear!

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Patterson. Is it agreed that we carry on with the recommendations and terms of reference? Agreed?

---Agreed

We will depend on our two experts to carry us through this.

Motion To Accept Recommendations One, Two And Three Of Sessional Paper 3-80(2), Carried

Okay, we will start on the summary. Everyone has a copy of it and I do not suppose you would want me to read it out. Now, the recommendations starting with number one. Are there any comments on recommendation one? Is it agreed?

---Carried

Recommendation two. Is it agreed?

---Carried

Recommendation three. Is it agreed?

---Carried

Recommendation four. Mr. Patterson.

Motion To Amend Recommendation Four Of Sessional Paper 3-80(2)

MR. PATTERSON: As I said, Mr. Chairman, I am going to suggest an amendment here because I think if the commission is going to work it should include a senior representative of the RCMP. So, since recommendation four suggests possible composition I will move that we add to four the words "and a senior member of the RCMP". Would you like it?

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Yes, so we will have the motion.

MR. PATTERSON: It is just the addition of seven words, Mr. Chairman, and that we add to recommendation four "and a senior member of the RCMP" as a member of the commission.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Patterson. We have a motion on the floor to amend recommendation four to read, to add the words "and a senior member of the RCMP". To the motion. Mr. MacQuarrie.

MR. MacQUARRIE: Do I understand that your amendment would apply, Mr. Patterson, so long as it were a police advisory commission to help shape policing in the Northwest Territories and not to report on the day-to-day operation of the RCMP? Is it my understanding that if the nature of the police commission changed that an RCMP officer would not be part of the commission? Does my question make sense?

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. MacQuarrie. Mr. Patterson.

MR. PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Yes, I definitely believe that we will have two stages in the Northwest Territories, this commission will advise on possibly new policing style and programs in the Northwest Territories and make recommendations to the Minister, and eventually, and perhaps when the new police system is established, whatever form it might take, then we will want to set up a police commission, not an advisory commission, but a commission. There are police commissions in the provinces, they have a great deal of power and influence in matters such as discipline, complaints, reform of policing, level of service, this kind of thing. That, I say, is a separate stage to await the time when this police advisory commission has done its work. So, I would agree that when we set up a police commission we would likely not want to have the police force involved because in effect the commission is supposed to be independent of them.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Patterson. This increase in recommendation four then would mean recommendation one would have to be changed to seven instead of six. Is this right?

Membership In The Commission

MR. PATTERSON: No, Mr. Chairman, I was not suggesting that. Number four speaks to possible membership in the commission and I think we can leave that up to the Minister of Justice to find six people within those guidelines. It may mean that we have a policeman instead of a judge, or it may mean one of the lay representatives not be appointed but I think we can leave that to him. I guess if we add another person it may increase the cost so I would be happy to keep it at six.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Patterson. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Just to say that I am sure that the government would find the motion very helpful and we thank the Member for putting it forward.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Butters. To the motion as amended? Mr. Sibbeston.

MR. SIBBESTON: Mr. Chairman, I am concerned about the amendment being made because I think with the addition of a police officer it is stacked, generally, in favour of the present system. I have found through my experience that if the committee or if the commission was to be composed of a territorial court judge and one of the civil servants in Mr. Butters' department, and possibly one RCMP I think that we are going to end up with a commission that is highly stacked or a commission that is highly in favour of the status quo. My experience as regards to territorial court judges is that oftentimes, while they are hired to go according to the rules, and oftentimes when they are to decide between the evidence of the policeman and the evidence of the accused, generally the court will end up believing the policeman rather than the poor accused. This has been my experience. We all know, Mr. Butters, that most of the people in the Department of Justice and Public Services are ex-RCMP types.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Shame!

Changing The Status Quo

MR. SIBBESTON: You will end up with a lot of law and order type people on the commission who would not like to change the status quo. The other point I think that ought to be made is that it is important to have at least four native persons on the commission and to get people who will be able to stand up to the territorial court judge or one of his officials. I guess if this goes through Mr. Butters can more or less determine the outcome of the commission by simply appointing types of even native people who are going to support the status quo or who are not types to favour changing, you know, the present system. So, I just think that adding a policeman on there could possibly weigh the commission in favour of the present system and it may result with little change in the future.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Sibbeston. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Mr. Chairman, just to assure the hon. Member and my colleagues that it is certainly not my intention, nor is it the intention of the Department of Justice, to preserve the status quo. We are putting this paper forward in the expectation that changes will be made to meet the changing needs of the people of the Northwest Territories and improve our system of justice in the Northwest Territories.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Butters. Mr. Patterson.

MR. PATTERSON: Mr. Chairman, I must say I am impressed with Mr. Sibbeston's concerns and I now realize that I have just suggested or did a few minutes ago that perhaps we could sacrifice a lay person for a police officer and I am not sure that that was wise. I noticed, and I was a bit worried about cost, but I noticed in looking at the financial considerations on page two of the memorandum of the Executive Committee that everybody...

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): We have an amendment to a motion on the floor so let us get that over with and then we can deal with the budget.

Enlargement Of Commission

MR. PATTERSON: I am talking about it, I am talking about whether or not we should add a person who might change the composition of the committee and I am expressing reservations about my own amendment. I am about to say why I think we could afford to enlarge the commission by one person and that is that we are paying honoraria to everybody according to the budget including the members of our own government staff. I do not see why they should be paid \$100 a day for doing something which presumably will be part of their job. Maybe I would say that I would support, still support the amendment since I think we cannot leave the police out of this thing altogether, but I would suggest that recommendation one should be changed to enlarge the commission by one person so that the lay representatives and the representation of native people will not suffer by the addition of a police expert.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Mr. Patterson, do you wish to withdraw your amendment to recommendation four and go back to number one?

MR. PATTERSON: No, I think the amendment can stand and that I would certainly support a further amendment to number one. I would suggest that after we vote so that we enlarge the commission to seven. I think that makes good sense.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Just to say, sir, that where members of a board are also government employees I do not believe that the honorarium applies. I think the reason it is placed here is because there was no indication of what the eventual composition of the committee would be and that composition would reflect a change in the projected expenses.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Question.

Motion To Amend Recommendation Four Of Sessional Paper 3-80(2), Carried

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): The question being called on the amendment. All in favour? Down. Against? Abstentions? The motion is carried.

---Carried

Now, recommendation one, do you wish to go back to number one, Mr. Patterson?

Motion To Amend Recommendation One Of Sessional Paper 3-80(2), Carried

MR. PATTERSON: I might have some trouble on that. I see Mr. Stewart is excited. I guess you might say we have already approved number one but I would like to move that the word six should be changed to seven in recommendation one and would so move.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Patterson. We have a motion on the floor to change the number six to seven in recommendation one. Mr. Stewart.

HON. DON STEWART: I do not wish to discuss number one. I wish to discuss number four. We have an amendment to it but the clause as amended has not been voted on and I wish to speak to that and so I will give way to Mr. Patterson on number one.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Stewart. Mr. Patterson.

MR. PATTERSON: I am simply making the amendment because I feel that while it is good to have representatives from the justice system, it is important that there would be a good balance of lay people who will be able to recommend change and so I am suggesting that the commission be composed of seven people so that we will be ensured of having four lay people.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Patterson. I have a motion on the floor to change recommendation one from six to seven persons. Do I hear the question?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Question.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): The question being called. All in favour? Opposed? Thank you. The motion is carried.

---Carried

Motion To Accept Recommendation One Of Sessional Paper 3-80(2) As Amended,  
Carried

Now, recommendation one as amended. Is it agreed?

---Carried

Let us go then to recommendation two. Is it agreed?

---Agreed

Recommendation three. Is it agreed?

---Agreed

Recommendation four as amended. Mr. Stewart.

HON. DON STEWART: I have a little trouble with number four as it relates to number one in the terms of reference. We have found it necessary in number four to indicate the composition of this board by races and yet number one in the terms of reference indicates this is not really the case, that they are changing it in other places to "northern residents". I feel that although the argument may be used that the government people may be classed "others" in the racial plane of the Northwest Territories that that does not necessarily mean the "others" are going to have an input as members on this board because the government of "others" is just as bad as the administration of anybody else in many cases. So I feel that restricting by numbers people of the Dene Nation and the Inuit is not in keeping with the best interests of the people of the Northwest Territories. I could certainly agree with the representation on this board on a population basis to make sure all of the people have somebody on there, but we have left out the Metis, we have left out the "others" as we termed us and I do not think that is good legislation. I think we are starting to...

MR. CURLEY: Majority rules.

HON. DON STEWART: I think it should be looked at because it sets some pretty dangerous precedents when you get involved in this type of thing naming the people by race that are going to do certain things such as sitting on a board. As we go on down into the terms of reference, rather than "natives", "northern residents". So if the board is really to look after northern residents then I suggest that "others" plus possibly "Metis" should be included in the representation on the board.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Stewart. Number four as amended. Mr. Patterson.

Favouring Particular Groups

MR. PATTERSON: I would like to briefly respond to Mr. Stewart, Mr. Chairman. I think we have to indeed be very careful about unduly favouring one particular group of any kind over another. However, there are occasions when pinpointing a particular group is to my mind justifiable. If we are talking about facilities for handicapped it would not be discriminatory to make those facilities available only to handicapped persons. Maybe that is a poor example, but I think the thrust of this whole problem of policing in the Northwest Territories is the difficulties that have arisen over the special problems of policing native persons in the Northwest Territories. We do not have particular communication problems between our presently constituted police force and the average non-native person. We do not have disproportionate recruitment of -- we do not have a problem of underrepresentation of the "other" segment of the population on our police force. The fact is, Mr. Chairman, that a very high proportion of our native population are in conflict with the law and are filling up our jails and occupying our police forces, a much higher proportion than the proportion to the population. There has been talk even of setting up a native police force in the Northwest Territories or a northern native constabulary. I do not think that is particularly discriminatory or racist. It think it simply addresses the real problem that we are concerned with.

Also I would point out to Mr. Stewart that it talks about representatives of the Dene population. As far as I knew Dene included Metis. I am not an expert, but I thought it would. Representatives of the Inuit. I do not think it necessarily has to be that those representatives are Dene or Inuit. I am sure there are people who have worked in communities in the area of justice who could well represent the problems of the Inuit or the Dene who may not in fact be of that race. So I am not as concerned about the suggestion, especially when it is in a paper which also specifically says the mandate will not be restricted to include just the interests of native groups, that it is for all the northern residents. So I would like to advise Mr. Stewart not to be too worried about that. Thank you.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Patterson. Mr. MacQuarrie.

MR. MACQUARRIE: I am very sensitive to the concern that Mr. Stewart expressed, but I also see that it is an advisory commission and that ultimately the decisions with respect to policing in the Northwest Territories would be the responsibility of this Assembly and therefore I am prepared to go along with number four as it is right at the present time.

Motion To Accept Recommendation Four Of Sessional Paper 3-80(2). As Amended, Carried

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. MacQuarrie. Number four as amended, agreed?

---Carried

Recommendation five, Mr. Nerysoo.

HON. RICHARD NERYSOO: Yes, Mr. Chairman. With regard to number five I can agree to a point, firstly with the reporting and the determination of the extent of the life of the police advisory commission. However, I think it is a requirement for the work of the commission to be reported as well not only to the Executive Committee but to this House and I think that is a point that has been missed in the recommendations.

MR. PATTERSON: Hear, hear!

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Nerysoo. Do you wish to amend recommendation five?

Motion To Amend Recommendation Five Of Sessional Paper 3-80(2), Carried

HON. RICHARD NERYSOO: I would like to amend it to include that the commission file its report for the benefit of the Minister of Justice and Public Services and the Executive Committee and for presentation and recommendation to the Legislative Assembly.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Hon. Mr. Nerysoo. To the amendment. The words "and presentation and recommendation to the Legislative Assembly". Is that right, Hon. Mr. Nerysoo?

HON. RICHARD NERYSOO: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): To the amendment. Agreed?

---Carried

Motion To Accept Recommendation Five Of Sessional Paper 3-80(2) As Amended, Carried

Recommendation five as amended. Agreed?

---Carried

Motion To Accept Recommendation Six Of Sessional Paper 3-80(2), Carried

Recommendation six, agreed?

---Carried

Motion To Accept Term Of Reference Number One Of Sessional Paper 3-80(2), Carried

That concludes the recommendations. The terms of reference. Number one, agreed?

---Carried

Number two. Mr. Nerysoo.

HON. RICHARD NERYSOO: I wanted to talk on six and you went by it. I wonder if I could have the opportunity to speak on it as well?

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Number six, Hon. Mr. Nerysoo. Number six under recommendations, go ahead.

HON. RICHARD NERYSOO: Just a point that I wanted to have clarification on and that is office staff and other employees as may be required by the commission, be employed from within the territorial public service. It is my opinion that it is not necessarily true that the staff that would be required will be within the territorial government. I am wondering if it should be that the commission in fact has the opportunity to find people that they require, whether it is within or without the public service.



THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Nerysoo. Hon. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: I am not sure why the specification was for territorial public service employees only, but I am assuming it is a matter of cost. My expectation would be that this commission is not meeting every day. It would meet from time to time and as in the case of other boards that have been established under this jurisdiction could use wherever possible the resources and support of the Government of the Northwest Territories. Certainly these people are objective and take direction from the board in those cases. So I would assume that it is a financial matter in an attempt to save dollars. We are short of dollars and we need to take all the economies that we can effect.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Hon. Mr. Butters. Hon. Mr. Nerysoo, does that satisfy your concern? Number six, agreed?

---Agreed

We will try again. Terms of reference, number one, agreed?

---Agreed

Number two. Mr. Patterson.

Motion To Amend Term Of Reference Number Two Of Sessional Paper 3-80(2), Carried

MR. PATTERSON: Mr. Chairman, I would like to make an amendment here. I feel that regardless of the merits of the 3B project we should broaden number two to permit the commission to oversee implementation of -- these are the words I would add -- I would take out the word "pilot RCMP option 3B project" and I would add "innovative community policing programs".

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Patterson. To the amendment in the terms of reference, number two, Hon. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Just to say, sir, that I believe the amendment improves the terms of reference here, number two.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Hon. Mr. Butters. We have not got the amendment down right, Mr. Patterson. Will you give me -- on this piece of paper you have just handed me I cannot read it.

MR. CURLEY: Can you read?

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): After "implementation of" put "innovative community policing service". Is that right? "Policing programs" To the amendment in term of reference number two, agreed?

---Carried

Motion To Accept Term Of Reference Number Three Of Sessional Paper 3-80(2), Carried

Number three, agreed?

---Carried

Motion To Accept Term Of Reference Number Four Of Sessional Paper 3-80(2), Carried

Number four, agreed? I hear one "agreed". I guess it is okay. Term of reference, number four, completed. I will recognize Mr. Patterson. Number four?

Motion To Add Term Of Reference Number Five To Sessional Paper 3-80(2)

MR. PATTERSON: Sorry, Mr. Chairman. I wanted to add a number five, propose an

additional term of reference and I hope it will satisfy some concerns including those of Mr. Evaluarjuk. My proposed amendment would be a way of allowing the commission...

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): On a point of order. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: By way of being helpful I am aware of the Member's motion and I think it is a very good one. I wonder if we might have coffee while it is put into syllabics.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Butters. That is a very good suggestion. We will take a 15 minute break and stretch and have coffee.

---SHORT RECESS

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): The Chair recognizes a quorum. We now have the addition to the terms of reference, number five, and the Members, have they translated copies available? Thank you. "The Commission may advise the Minister on reform of policing in the Northwest Territories including such policy matters as recruitment, screening, training, in-service training, non-police duties, level and location of service and other related matters."

Motion To Add Term Of Reference Number Five To Sessional Paper 3-80(2),  
Carried

Number five in the terms of reference. Is it agreed?

---Carried

That will conclude the recommendations and the terms of reference for the Northwest Territories Police Advisory Commission. Now, there is a document which is a memorandum to the Executive Committee. Does the committee wish that this sessional paper be completed and can I report progress? Is it agreed? Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Mr. Chairman, if the committee is satisfied with the discussion and it is complete, then possibly we could report that, and that certain changes have been made to the paper and they are in the record.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): I did not get that, Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Rather than reporting progress we might report that the discussion has been completed with certain amendments to the recommendations and the terms of reference as are found in the record.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Mr. Patterson.

MR. PATTERSON: Mr. Chairman, I wanted to ask the Minister if I may, does our approval of the recommendations and the terms of reference now give you authority to constitute the Northwest Territories police advisory commission, and can we take it that as of the coming fiscal year that commission can start its work?

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: I believe that the committee has given the authority, the administrative authority. I still must seek the fiscal authority, the money that has been indicated will be required to carry out this function and which is in the department's estimates for the coming year. The estimates for all the departments have not yet been finalized and I am expecting and hoping that finalization and final approval will include an item which will permit this commission to be established.

Motion To Accept Recommendations And Terms Of Reference Of Sessional Paper  
3-80(2) As Amended, Carried

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fraser): Thank you, Mr. Butters. Is it agreed that the recommendations and terms of reference as amended be accepted? Is it agreed?

---Carried

Is it your wish that I report progress? Is it agreed?

---Agreed

MR. SPEAKER: The House will come to order. Mr. Fraser.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF SESSIONAL PAPER 3-80(2): NORTHWEST TERRITORIES POLICE ADVISORY COMMISSION

MR. FRASER: Mr. Speaker, your committee has been studying its Sessional Paper 3-80(2), Northwest Territories Police Advisory Commission and has accepted the recommendations and terms of reference as amended.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Fraser. Is the government prepared to go ahead with any other papers today? Mr. Nerysoo.

HON. RICHARD NERYSOO: Yes, Mr. Speaker. Seeing as we do not have any further discussion on any other items I would recommend we recognize the clock.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. It would appear that we have no other items on the order paper to be dealt with today. Mr. Clerk, orders of the day.

ITEM NO. 13: ORDERS OF THE DAY

CLERK OF THE HOUSE (Mr. Remnant): Orders of the day, October 24, 1980, 1:00 o'clock p.m., at the Gordon Robertson Education Centre.

1. Prayer
2. Continuing Replies to Commissioner's Address
3. Oral Questions
4. Questions and Returns
5. Petitions
6. Tabling of Documents
7. Reports of Standing and Special Committees
8. Notices of Motion
9. Motions
10. Introduction of Bills for First Reading
11. Second Reading of Bills
12. Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills, Recommendations to the Legislative Assembly and Other Matters: Motion 20-80(2); Information Items 1-80(2), 2-80(2), 4-80(2), 5-80(2), 6-80(2), 18-80(2); Report of Standing Committee on Finance; Tabled Documents 6-80(2), 12-80(2); Sessional Paper 4-80(2)
13. Orders of the Day

Mr. Speaker, with your agreement I had some announcements for the House if I may proceed.

MR. SPEAKER: If there are any announcements proceed.

CLERK OF THE HOUSE (Mr. Remnant): There will be meetings of the standing committee on finance on Friday, October 24 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 29 at 9:00 a.m., Monday, November 3rd at 9:00 a.m. There will also be a meeting of the special committee on education on Friday, October 24 at 10:00 a.m., immediately following the finance committee meeting. All the above meetings will be held in the committee room on the ground floor of the Brown Building. In addition Members are probably aware that the next caucus meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m., on Monday, October 27.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you. This House stands adjourned until 1:00 o'clock p.m., October 24, 1980, at the Gordon Robertson Education Centre.

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