

MR. ROGERS, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 A. That's correct, yes.

2 Q. Thank you. All right, we're back at the time frame
3 where we were looking at this letter, this is November of
4 1988. Would it be consistent with your recollection of
5 the sequence of events that shortly after this letter
6 there would have been a submission to Cabinet dealing
7 with this proposal?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And I assume, and I won't take you to the documents
10 because it's a minor point, that the draft submission to
11 Cabinet which, are they called "Ministerial
12 Recommendations"? MRs?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. That a version of it might have been submitted to
15 Westray for their review of the wording and that there
16 might have been some discussions back and forth as to how
17 it should be worded before it was actually submitted to
18 Cabinet?

19 A. I can't comment on that.

20 Q. And that's on the grounds of Cabinet
21 confidentiality?

22 A. It's on the grounds of Cabinet confidentiality and
23 restrictions I'm faced under the Official Secrets Act
24 where I can be prosecuted.

25 Q. All right. What I will say for the record, and you