

MR. ROGERS, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 having a refined and -- a refined set of antennae and, of
2 course, when you get a "Dear Harry" letter, you also --
3 it tells you something --

4 Q. From Mr. --

5 A. -- else.

6 Q. -- Frame?

7 A. Yes. It tells you something else. So, no, I have
8 no particular signals to -- that I could relate to this
9 at all. Just a general perception that the momentum was
10 running in favour of a -- of this proposition as it was -
11 - as it had finally been put to bed.

12 Q. As you've given your evidence then, am I correct in
13 drawing an assumption from it that much of the delay that
14 was encountered in this project because of -- let me be
15 more specific. Much of the delay in getting the
16 financial -- Federal financial assistance package was, at
17 least, arguably, due to the intransience [sic] of Curragh
18 as it was to anything else?

19 A. Undoubtedly. Without question.

20 Q. And in your assessment, a lot of that was probably
21 based on Curragh's belief that the political cards that
22 they had, or the political support that they had, would
23 carry the day?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And that they underestimated the bureaucracy of the