

MR. ROGERS, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 Government of Canada?

2 A. I wouldn't want to claim credit for doing what I was
3 told to do by Ministers collectively, over a long -- a
4 large array of items. They were most -- first and
5 foremost, business -- people involved in a business
6 decision. I think Curragh probably misunder -- mis --
7 under estimated how seriously Government, as Cabinet --
8 or the Ministry, viewed all the other issues that had to
9 be resolved around this subject. That it wasn't just a
10 matter of just acquiescing on their level of financial
11 support versus some other. That DEVCO was a key,
12 important policy reason -- policy position that the
13 Government had taken. That the maximum amount of
14 employment there had to be protected. That there had to
15 be commitment that was real by the Nova Scotia Government
16 to this project in terms of contracting for these coal
17 volumes, and so on.

18 Q. All right. Let me take you to one other document
19 that occurs just at about the time the Provincial
20 Government is sending you their letter from the Premier.
21 It's the document over on page 68. It's a memo, December
22 the 8th, '89. There were some documents that are in our
23 data bank that lead to this, but this is the culmination
24 of them. It's a memorandum to Harvie Andre from you, and
25 if you look over on the second page, the middle