

MR. ROGERS, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 That's all news to me.

2 I think I was down there still trying to resolve the  
3 issue of -- on DEVCO's behalf. I think we had a meeting.  
4 It might be this late, and I can't be sure, with not  
5 Louis Comeau, but one of his people and some of the DEVCO  
6 people to see if there was anything that could be done  
7 about the contract draft that Boutilier had forwarded to  
8 N.S.P.C., but I'm not sure.

9 But we never planned a trip of the type that he was  
10 talking here.

11 Q. Had Minister Cameron ever suggested to you in any of  
12 your negotiating sessions with them, even perhaps ones  
13 that were a little more strident, had he ever suggested  
14 or threatened that if the Federal Government didn't come  
15 through, that the Province would go it alone with  
16 Westray?

17 A. I can't recall.

18 Q. Do you recall any threats that if the Province went  
19 alone, that that would interfere with Federal/Provincial  
20 relationships in the future?

21 A. Well, there would be no doubt you would conclude  
22 that if they did do it alone, it would impair seriously  
23 the relationship between DEVCO and the province, Federal  
24 Government and the Province in relationship to the future  
25 of DEVCO, no doubt.