

MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 to which the assistance was sought from the Prime
2 Minister in putting through or getting assistance to
3 finalize the Federal financing package. We've had
4 considerable evidence on that that the involvement was a
5 normal involvement of the P.M.'s Office and the P.M.O.

6 In Mr. Redrupp's memo, however, and it's dated
7 January the 11th, 1989, this would be about a year and a
8 couple of months prior to the finalization of the
9 package. He says in the first paragraph, "I spoke to
10 Peter White last Friday." Now he was the -- I think he
11 was the Chief of Staff of the P.M.O, am I -- have I got
12 that right?

13 A. Well, he worked in the Prime Minister's Office for a
14 while.

15 Q. Do you know what his title was or his position?

16 A. I'm sorry, I don't.

17 Q. In any event, he says, "I spoke to Peter White last
18 Friday about the status of the Westray Coal financing
19 support application which is in the Prime Minister's
20 Office." Now the implication I took from that is that
21 the file itself or the handling of the file had been
22 transferred to the Prime Minister's Office. What is your
23 understanding as to what the role of the Prime Minister's
24 Office was?

25 A. Well, it certainly wasn't my understanding that the