

MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 because they wanted to protect DEVCO. And that was --
2 when I found out that, I thought, "Well, okay, if that's
3 what you're thinking, we will, on our negotiation side,
4 tell you that if you don't become involved, we will do
5 this on our own. And you're so concerned about DEVCO,
6 what they've done won't be good for relations." I
7 thought it was good negotiations on our part, after I
8 found out what they were saying.

9 And I think it's pretty clear that they were -- they
10 said, "Yeah, we better get involved too, because we want
11 to protect DEVCO."

12 Q. I take it, from what you've just said, that it was
13 beyond just the Westray deal; it would be the Province's
14 attitude toward DEVCO and whether it might cooperate in
15 other ways in relation to DEVCO might be adversely
16 affected? Is that right?

17 A. Well, Mr. Merrick, everyone has tried to portray me
18 as, you know, against DEVCO. I was strongly, strongly
19 supportive of building Point Aconi, a half a billion
20 dollar expenditure, which wasn't a popular thing to do
21 and --

22 Q. Wasn't my question, Mr. Cameron.

23 A. I'm just telling you that I, in no way, want to see
24 the demise of DEVCO, but -- in no way want to see DEVCO
25 or a Federal department abuse their position by blackmail