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1 things, but the implication I drew was that this was a  
2 pretty serious Government-to-Government indication,  
3 almost like the withdrawal of diplomatic relations on the  
4 political scene, that this was a very heavy -- I'm going  
5 to use the word "threat." Is that a fair implication --

6 A. No, I don't --

7 Q. -- when the Province says --

8 A. No.

9 Q. -- to a Federal Government, "If you don't give us  
10 our way on this one transaction, it's going to interfere  
11 with our Government-to-Government relations on other  
12 aspects"?

13 A. It wasn't that to give away on this transaction. I  
14 guess when you read this whole issue, and I hope you  
15 have, our concern in Nova Scotia was that a document like  
16 this would go the Federal Cabinet to make a decision  
17 filled with information that just wasn't correct. I  
18 mean, it was so far -- it was so far off base.

19 Q. We have that, thank you.

20 A. So, you know, I think that's what our concern was.  
21 You know, if the Government doesn't want to fund  
22 something -- you know, I've seen that many times, and we  
23 didn't -- you know, we would be disappointed. We  
24 wouldn't -- we wouldn't get upset. But it was based on a  
25 decision of finance or something else, but based on the