

MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 and Province on one side of the bargaining table and the
2 Feds on the other, when it strikes me that it would have
3 been more appropriate to have the Feds and the Province
4 on one side of the table, because they shared an interest
5 in these issues, and Curragh on the other. Can you
6 comment on that impression?

7 A. Well, we certainly -- I'm sure there's a lot of
8 discussion between our officials and their officials, Mr.
9 Merrick. I'm sure of that. And all I can tell you is
10 our officials did a very, very good job and that deal
11 would stand up to any other.

12 Q. Do you think that that is the right way to go into
13 these transactions in the future where the two levels of
14 government are hostile to each other and the company
15 lines up with one of them?

16 A. Well, don't try to say the company lined up with us,
17 Mr. Merrick, because we simply did a very good deal with
18 them. And to make the allegation we did is incorrect.

19 Q. I'm asking for a statesman-like answer now, Mr.
20 Cameron. What do you think about this in the future? Is
21 this the way that levels of government should go into
22 these negotiations?

23 A. Mr. Merrick, I know that our officials talked many
24 times to officials about what was proposed on the Federal
25 side. So they didn't go into it blindly. They knew