

MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MR. WELLS

1 Q. I'd like to be a little more specific and ask if
2 there was ever discussions in Government while you were
3 there, after the McKeough and after the Act came into
4 place, about doing more training, about more staff in the
5 Department of Labour?

6 A. Certainly there's been discussions about that. And,
7 in fact, the current Act that's just been the process of
8 three years, we actually started that process, and Mr.
9 Brown carried that on -- or whoever the Minister of
10 Labour was at the start of the new Government. So,
11 clearly, it was recognized that we had to make some
12 changes, and that's why we have this new legislation.

13 Q. Well, we've had the present legislation for ten
14 years, and during that time those of us in labour have
15 felt that the Government had given us an Act in 1986, but
16 we didn't have the political will from Government to
17 actually administer it and make it work. Can you respond
18 to that?

19 A. Well, and I don't want you to take this the wrong
20 way, but I wish, at least when I was Premier, that I
21 heard those kind of comments. And I'm not pointing my
22 finger and saying it's your fault that you didn't tell me
23 that. All I can tell you is that I didn't hear those
24 kind of comments and I wish I did. Because I tried to
25 address the issues facing the Province when I was Premier