

MR. CAMERON, EXAM. BY MR. HEBERT

1 Mr. Phillips, perhaps others, went to meet with Mayor  
2 Porter, I believe, with respect to the opening of the  
3 strip mine the day after the memorial service for the  
4 miners here in Pictou County back in May of 1992? Do you  
5 recall that?

6 A. I don't know if I went to -- I don't recall going to  
7 see Mr. Porter the day after.

8 Q. All right.

9 A. I certainly don't recall that.

10 Q. All right. Now with respect to the roof falls, you  
11 indicated that you had -- you called Mr. Phillips to  
12 determine -- or to get a status report, I guess, when  
13 roof falls became a concern?

14 A. Well, when the first roof fall, it became an instant  
15 political issue in the House.

16 Q. Certainly. You called him to see what was going on?

17 A. Yeah. I said, "What -- you know, what's going on?  
18 Is there a roof fall? What's -- you know, what's all  
19 this stuff we're hearing in the House?"

20 Q. All right. And did you approach anyone else with  
21 respect to those roof falls?

22 A. Well, I was assured that they were going to hire  
23 expert advice. And I guess some of the criticism was  
24 they maybe hired too much --

25 Q. But wait now, you were --