

MR. ROGERS, EXAM. BY MR. MERRICK

1 form that were truly commitments and not just  
2 undertakings was something that he would intervene on in  
3 discussions with Premier Buchanan or Donny Cameron.

4 In terms of trying to deal with -- between Nova  
5 Scotia Power and the -- and DEVCO, he would facilitate  
6 some of the dialogue by talking to Louis Comeau, who was  
7 then the C.E.O., or with DEVCO.

8 But he generally intervened where he thought it  
9 could speed up the process or he could improve the  
10 quality of the dialogue between the Federal Government  
11 and the Province. And that was an appropriate role for  
12 somebody who was anxious to see it proceed.

13 Q. What about Donald Cameron?

14 A. He was active in the process. He was present at a  
15 number of meetings I had with the Curragh people. And we  
16 would -- we had a number of telephone conversations,  
17 because it was from him I was trying to obtain the  
18 written commitment or contract between the Nova Scotia  
19 Government and Westray as regards the contract for coal  
20 purchases.

21 Q. Why did --

22 A. And --

23 Q. -- you understand the hesitancy in giving you that?

24 A. I think it was a matter of principle. That he felt  
25 that it was inappropriate that the Province should have