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1 they were afraid to do their jobs because it was a --
2 because of political support. Why would we say that?
3 But yet, we're saying it.

4 And some people may say, "Well, Don, that's a
5 different time -- that's a different time. That's now --
6 that's then, this is now."

7 You know, I read the paper last week and I just -- I
8 was just shocked. I thought, "Here it is all over again."
9 There was a public outcry. There was tremendous pressure
10 on elected people in Nova Scotia to change the business
11 plan for DEVCO so they wouldn't have to lay off as many
12 people. And, you know, they went to Ottawa, they put
13 pressure on them. They changed the business plan now.
14 They didn't lay off as many people.

15 I read Saturday, the Premier of our province said,
16 "I called the Prime Minister twice about DEVCO." Well,
17 surely, no one is -- and I think they're doing their job
18 doing that. But surely no one would suggest now if
19 anyone gets hurt or killed at DEVCO that somehow Dave
20 Dingwall and Premier Savage and all these people that
21 support it had something to do -- because they supported
22 it, now we're not concerned about safety.

23 And somehow this theme, this myth, has gathered
24 around the Westray thing, and it's very, very troubling
25 that -- and the worst thing of all is for the families.