

CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS 1985

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January 13

*Northwest
Territories
Political*

An agreement on the boundary to divide the Northwest Territories into two independent political jurisdictions is reached. The eastern territory will be populated mainly by Inuit who live in the eastern Arctic. Living in the west are Dene

January 23

Regional

Regional Industrial Expansion Minister Sinclair
Stevens and Quebec Industry Minister Rodrigue
Biron sign a \$350 million, five-year industrial
development agreement pursuant to the 10-year

February 4

Housing

A report entitled *A Consultation Paper on Housing* is released by William McNight, Minister responsible for the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation. The report suggests the government should: define the roles that various levels of government should play in the housing industry; clearly identify the priorities for housing expenditures; and create programs that are

the past five years. The premiers urge the federal

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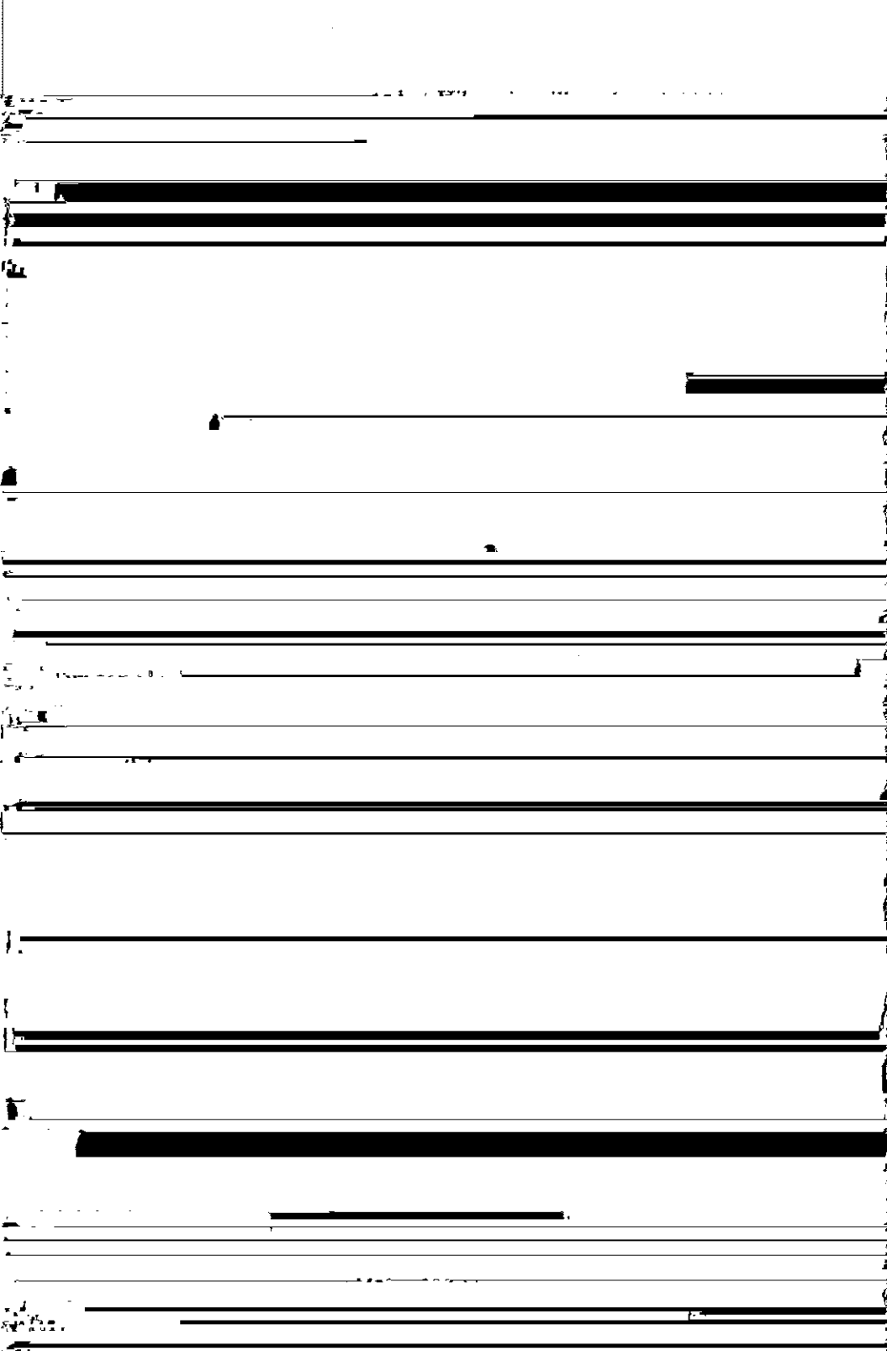
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subsidies: \$15.5 million from the federal

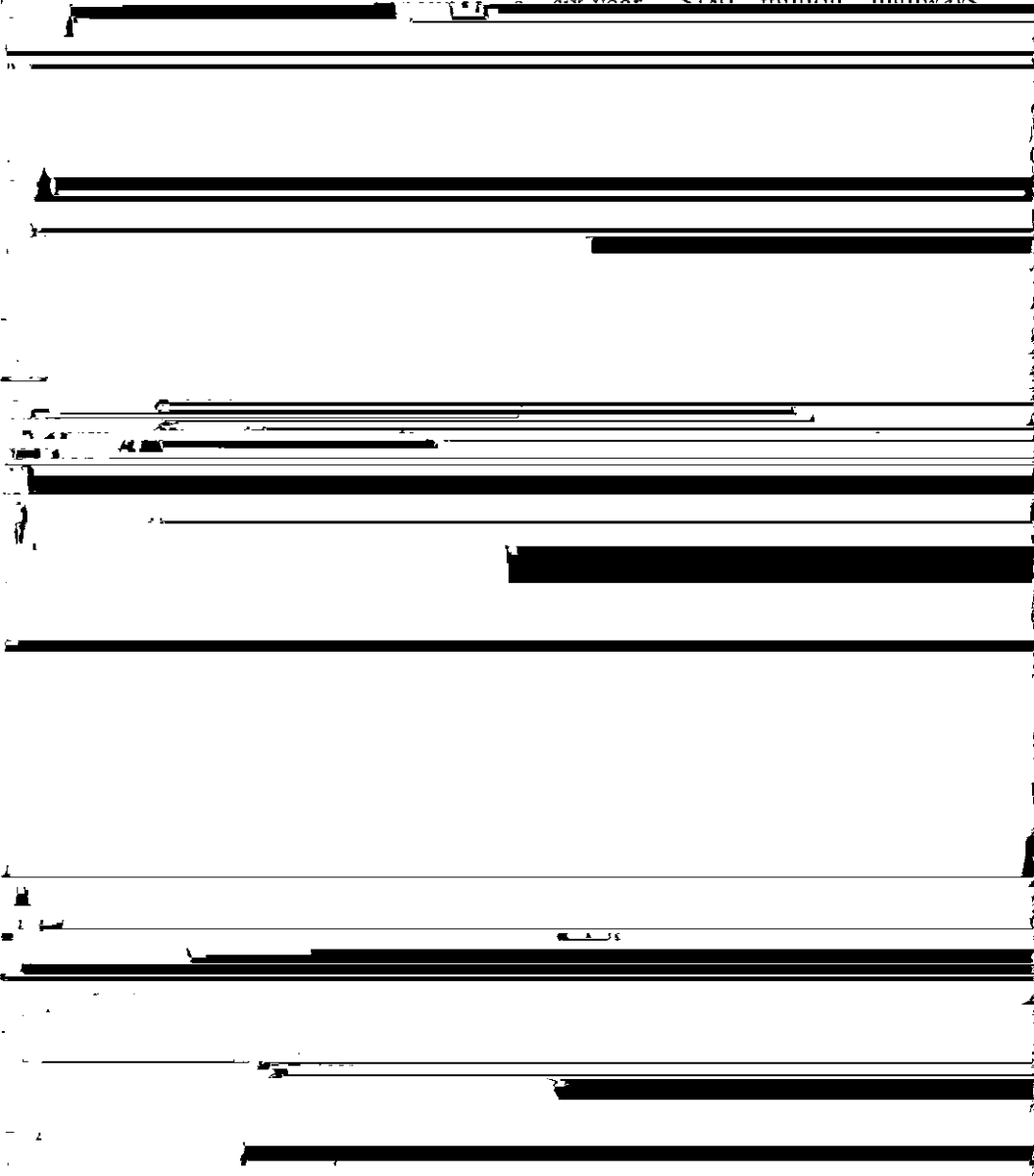


year. The provinces involved agree not to impose additional royalties as a result of the higher oil prices. A task force is to be set up to create a gas pricing deal to make gas prices more sensitive to market forces. On June 1, the Canadian oil market is deregulated. On November 1, 1986, natural gas prices are to be deregulated, subject to federal-provincial agreement.

March 29

The federal and Newfoundland governments

agree to a six-year, \$180 million highway



the provinces were to receive a decrease in

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*Financial
Institutions*

*Regulation of Canadian Financial Institutions:
Proposals for Discussion*, is released. The paper

will be introduced April 25. The New Brunswick government does not set a date to introduce legislation. Section 33 of the Charter allows

April 24

The Supreme Court of Canada strikes down the
federal Lord's Day Act as violating religious freedom

_____ would be administered under the grain stabilization

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May 14 15

At the Western Premier's Conference at

which have over 500 francophones in the community; and requiring Quebec television stations to spend profits above a certain level on French productions.

However, a major adjustment program for Cape Breton Island will be put in place. 4) Ottawa will re-negotiate agreements on crop insurance and agricultural stabilization programs to obtain a more "equitable balance of financial obligations"

Natural

as part of a \$525 million, five-year Economic and
Development Agreement signed on Mex

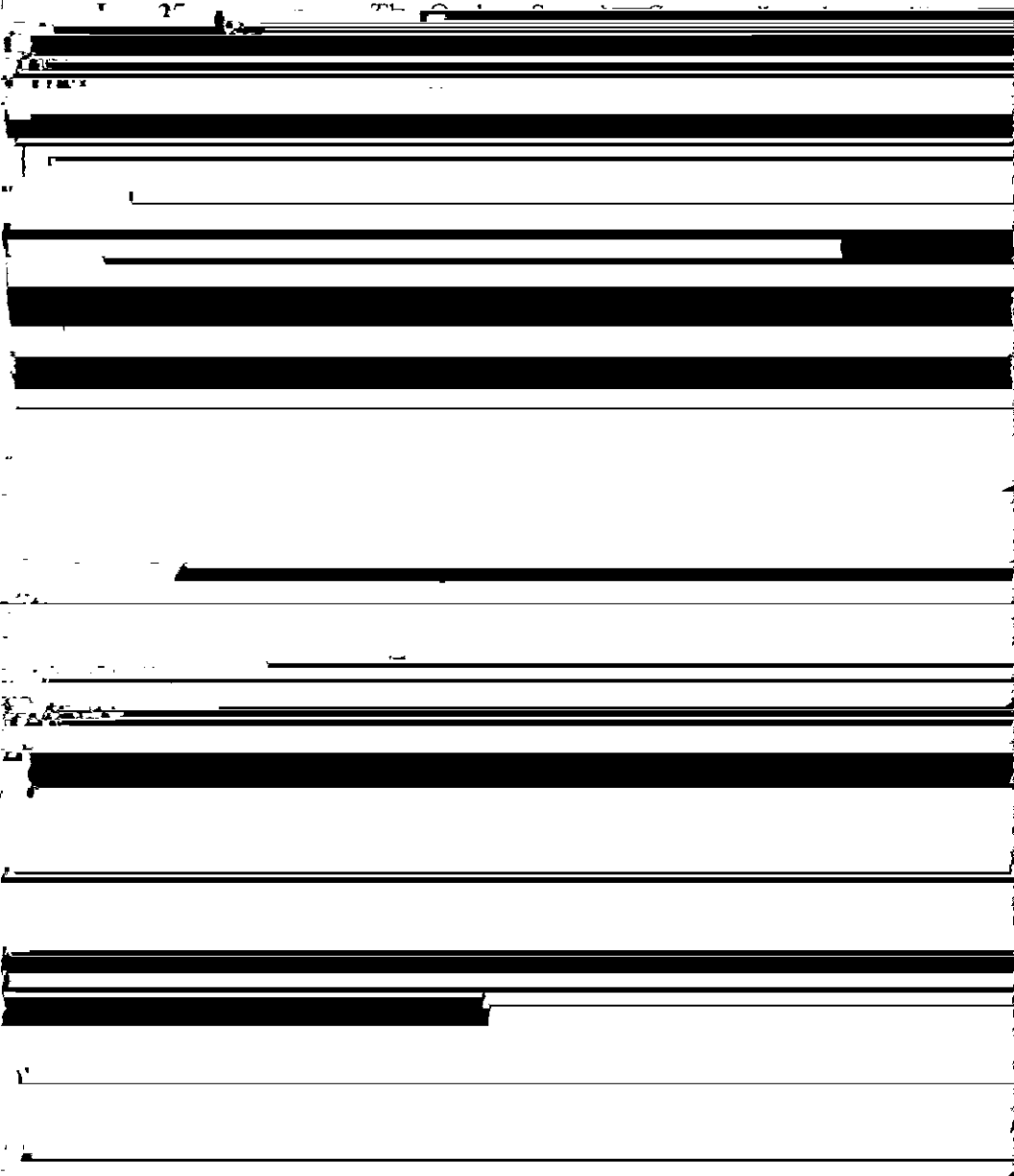
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structures within which the boards must operate. The study recommends that the government, as a shareholder, must make its goals known to board members, and directors should be allowed to participate in key decision making and corporate policy formulation. Also, government must not respond to political pressures by making a Crown corporation concurrently responsible to a series

June 24

*Regional
Development -
Saskatchewan*

An extension of a five-year Economic and Regional Development Agreement (ERDA) between the federal and Saskatchewan governments is announced. \$45 million will be used for irrigation and transportation development in Saskatchewan.



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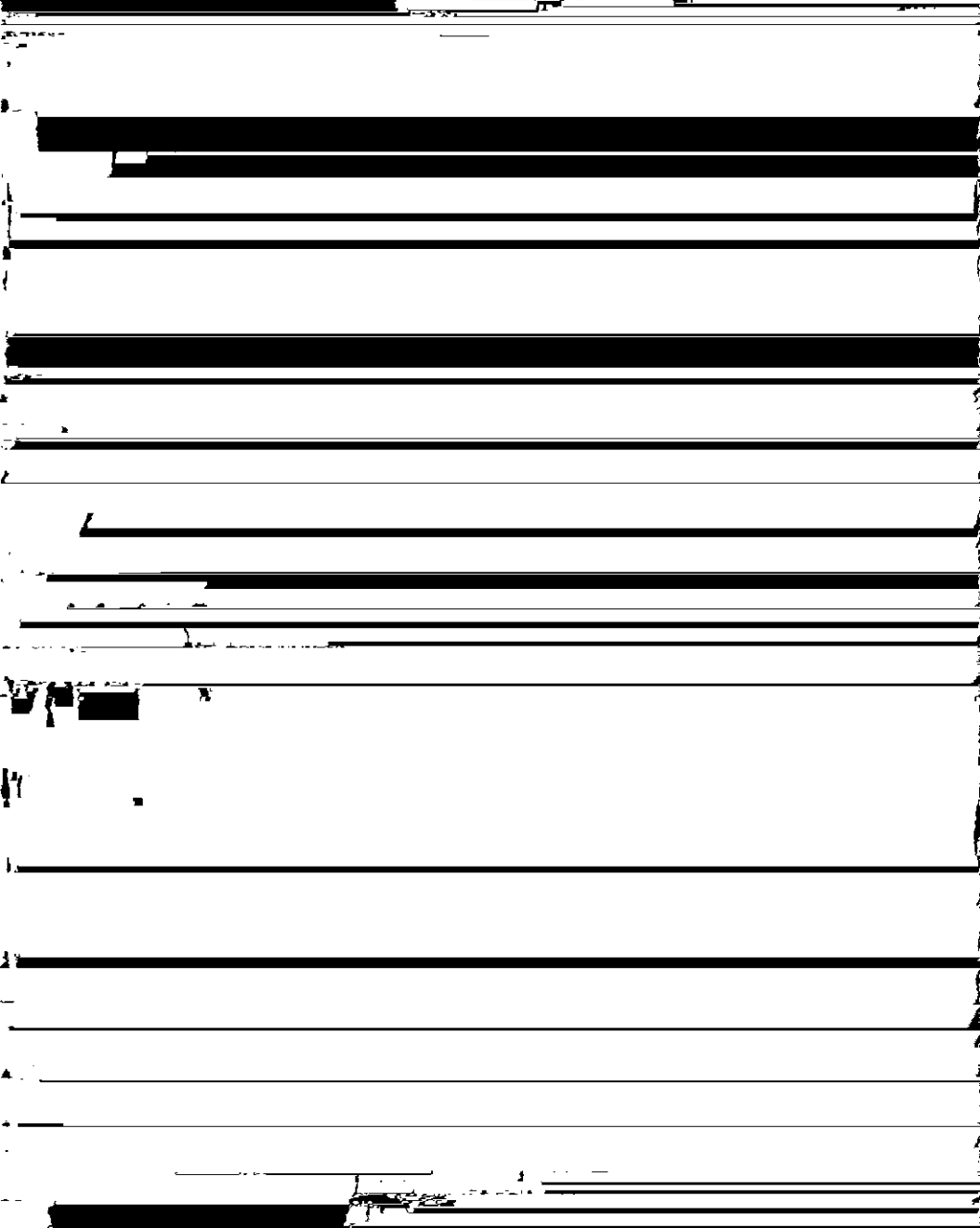
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Education
- Ontario

financing of Catholic high schools. The move is made by Cabinet decree; the government does not



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July 30

The federal and British Columbia governments sign a \$10 million mineral development agreement,

Natural Resources -

as part of the federal Economic Development

Crown

Canada Ltd. for \$886 million. The service stations

recipients can receive before their welfare benefits are reduced, so that the regulations do not discourage work activity. On September 18, Epp

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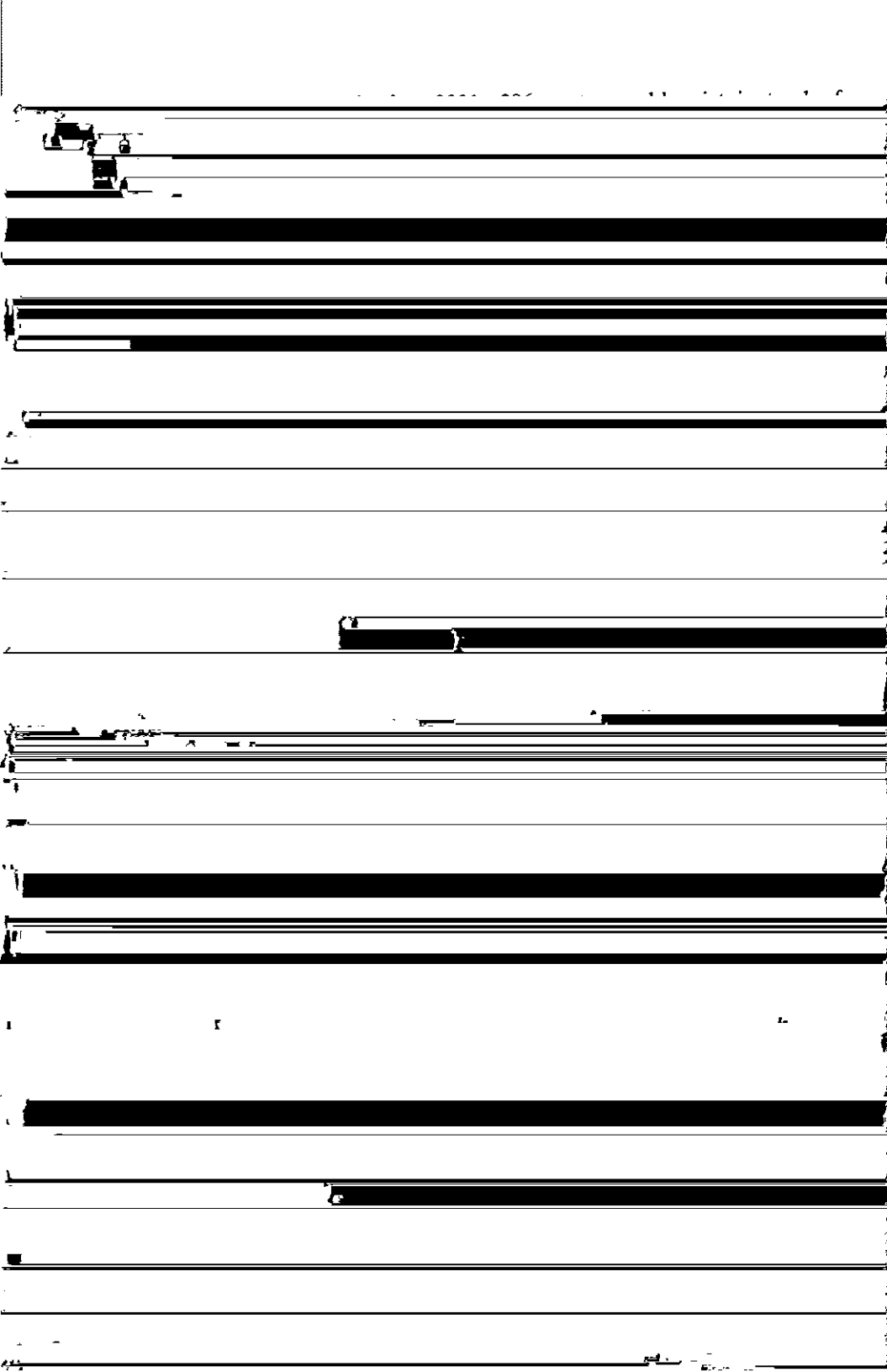
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in farm fuel subsidies and \$62.9 million will be
given to the states for the O-15 program.



October 28

Newfoundland
- Fisheries
- Emergency
Aid Fund

The federal and Newfoundland governments announce the creation of an emergency fund of up to \$9.5 million to aid Newfoundland fishermen affected by the poor fishing season in 1985. Because of the poor season, fishermen and plant workers do not have a sufficiently long employment period to be eligible for employment insurance for the winter months. The fund will be used to create special employment projects. ~~which~~

Languages -

take effect in most courts by July 1, 1986. Full language rights in the courts will be implemented

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*Franco-
Ontarians*

least 30 per cent of Ontario's francophone residents are in danger of being assimilated within 20 years because their education

November 21

*Aboriginal
Rights -
Land Claims -*

The Supreme Court of Canada rules that according to section 35 of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms a 233-year old treaty guaranteeing native Indians hunting and fishing rights takes precedence over Nova Scotia's 1967 Lands and Forests Act. Section 35 guarantees

submitted to the committee for approval or

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providing interest-free loans to farmers; creating a closer relationship between management and labour; encouraging more competitive business and decreasing government intervention. The PQ campaign includes: increasing job creation and job protection; the mandatory participation of Quebec in any free trade discussions that would affect the province; increasing environmental protection, recycling and pollution prevention; improving social and health services, particularly emergency ward care; the entrenchment of the right of anglophones to receive social and health services in English; increasing agricultural assistance; creating a closer relationship between management and labour; encouraging more competitive business and decreasing government intervention; and improving the lot of women. The PQ leaves open the possibility of making Quebec politically sovereign at some future time.

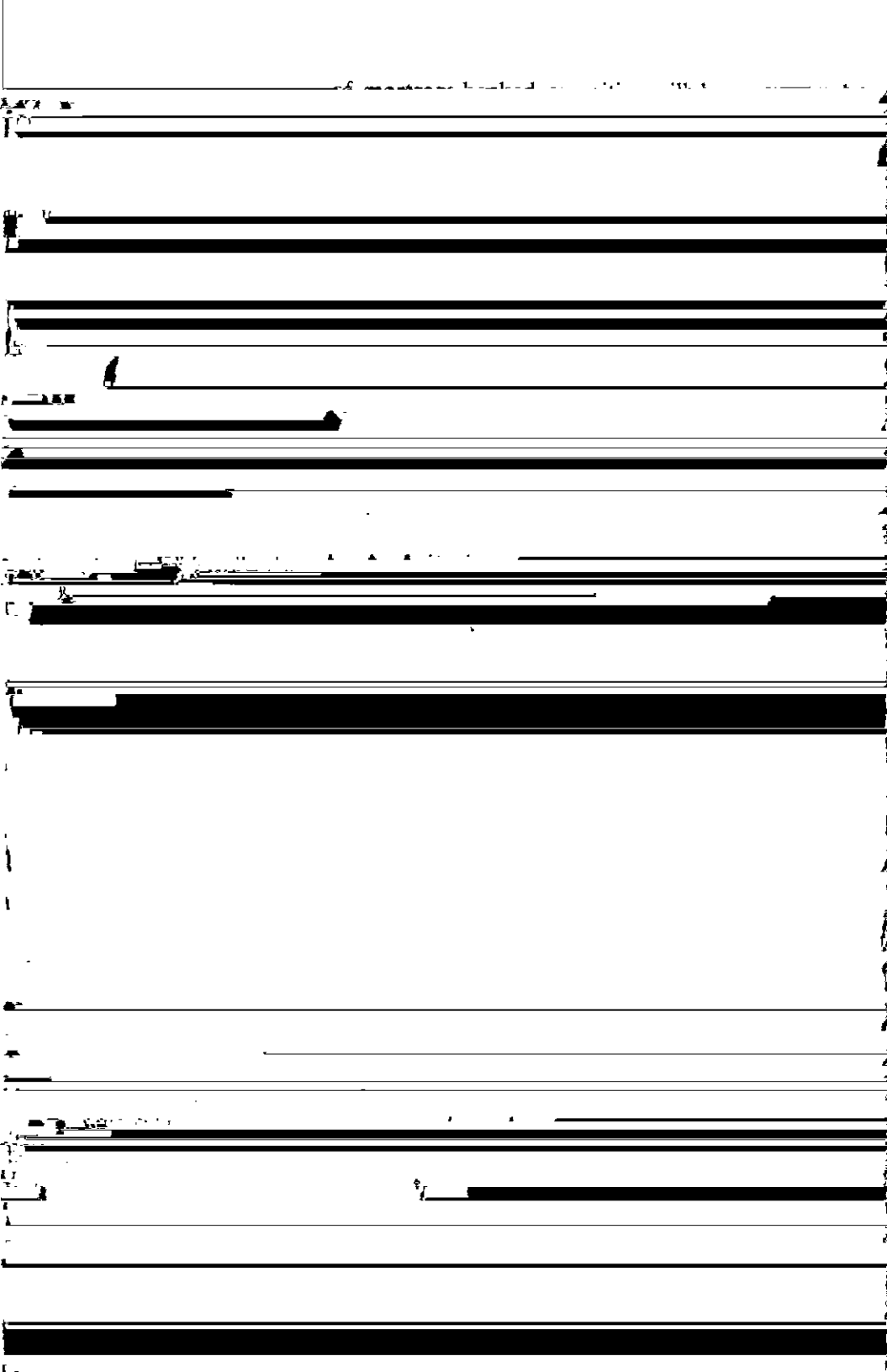
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*Crown
Corporations*

Crown corporation de Havilland Aircraft of Canada is sold to Boeing Co for \$155 million. The federal government's expenditure on the corporation was \$834 million over 11 years. The federal government has promised Boeing an

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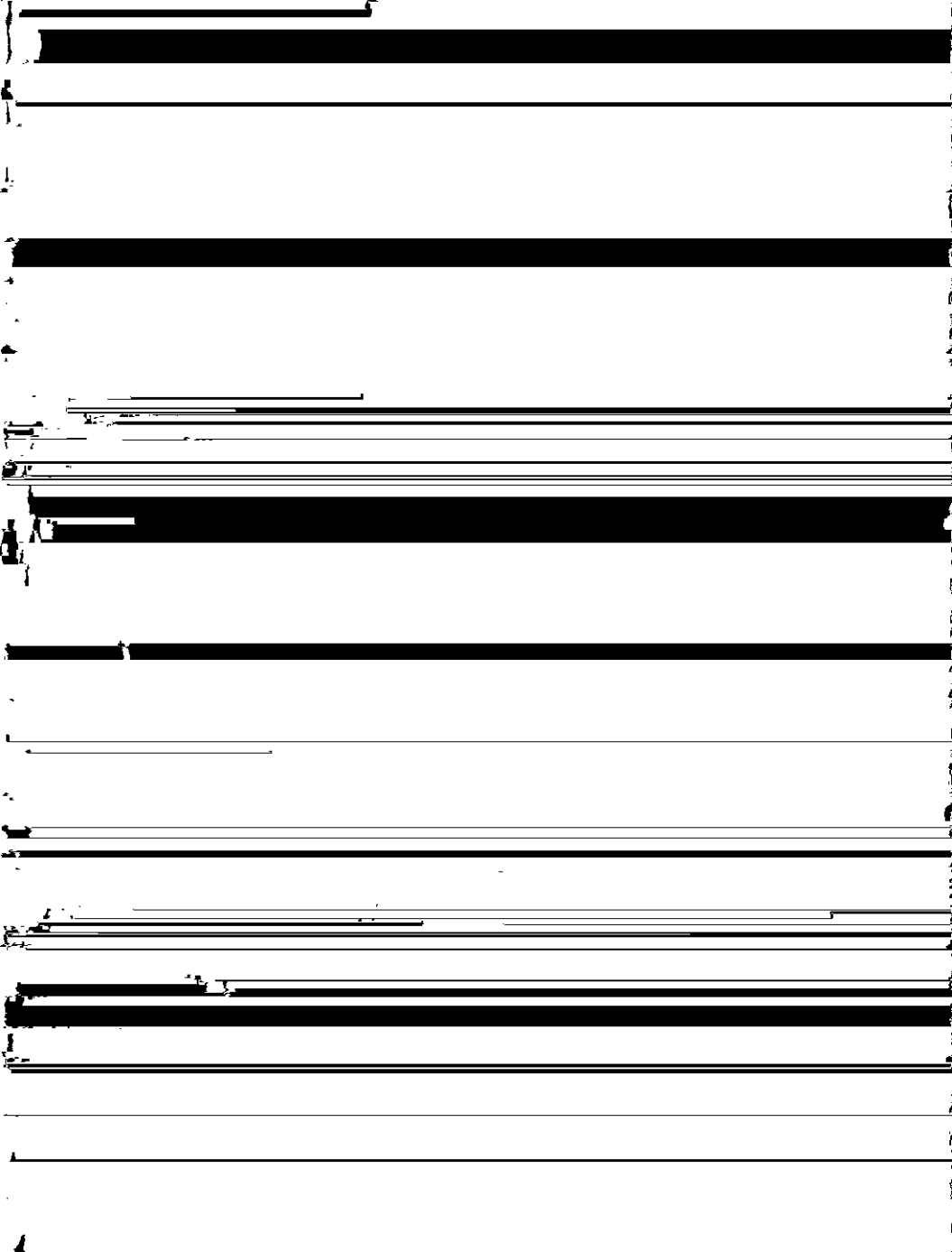
full insurance be provided on the first \$25,000 of deposits and 80 per cent insurance be provided on the next \$50,000. It recommends that more powers



begin. Mulroney says he cannot promise Quebec

_____ decision belongs to the other

deregulated environment. The committee also advises giving priority to the full or partial privatization of Air Canada. New Brunswick Premier Richard Hatfield and Newfoundland Transport Minister Ron Dowe told the committee



December 20

Federal Indian Affairs Minister David Crombie,
Ontario Attorney General Ian Scott and five
native leaders sign an agreement providing for

12-20-81

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