

BNA Act

May 20/75 - Toronto

Meeting with Premier Davis, Jim Flack, Carter & self.
Davis' office - called for 10:00, began about 10:40.

Points by Davis -

- ① Would like to see "patriation" accomplished.
- ② Victoria Part IX OK with him -
he did not make any reference to full
or partial part IX.
- ③ Possibly something re Supreme Court - very tentative.
I then mentioned that Premier laughed
had been quite insistent on including Part IX
in the S.C. This appeared to add to
Davis' interest, but not v. greatly.
- ④ He asked me, when I see "BNA" (Bourassa) to
tell him that, while he (Davis) would like to
see it possible to get the constitution "patriated",
he would not see Quebec "isolated" again.

The message seemed to be clear that,
if Que. could not go along, that would not
"open" either.

Early in the discussion I told Davis of the request -
call to Que.; to him; went to Schreyer & laughed. Said
I planned to call Que. to try to see B. through or next.
If not, to go to one or two Maritime premiers.

Also told officials at meeting at 11:15 of request
had good discussion with them. Query re desirability
of a conference of First Ministers before action.