

public opinion, and I hope it will be tried with good information and on the basis of action. I would hate to see the department take this—well, I want to be guarded in what I say—I would hate to see it take a supine position.

Senator ALLOTT. Mr. Chairman.

Senator MOSS. Senator Allott.

Senator ALLOTT. May I make an inquiry?—and I do this not in any way trying to diminish in any sense the questions raised this morning, because they are serious questions—but we also have a long list of witnesses, some of whom have come a long way, and who have been in constant attendance at these hearings for 2 days, who wish to testify upon the direct question of the regulations which have been promulgated and whether or not they are reasonable in anticipation of developing a viable oil shale industry. This also touches it, and I agree to that. But, in view of the convenience of these other witnesses, I would like to inquire, since it is now 12:30, when the chairman plans upon adjourning and when we could get on with hearing some of our other witnesses?

Senator MOSS. It is the plan of the Chair to recess just as soon as we have completed this present discussion with the witnesses and we will reconvene promptly at 2 o'clock and proceed with all deliberate speed to hear our remaining witnesses. We do have several very important witnesses yet to hear.

Mr. DOUGLAS. May I say, Mr. Chairman, it was my original intention not to testify before this committee. I thought I would leave the testimony to Mr. Lynch, who accompanied me, and Mr. Freeman and Mr. Spencer Smith. I tried to occupy an inconspicuous place in the hearing room yesterday. I testified only at the request of the chairman and not at my own solicitation. I do not think I took up as much time as the preceding witness, but I am very glad to stop now.

Senator MOSS. Let me say we are very grateful that you have testified, Senator Douglas, and what you have presented here is of overreaching importance in this whole subject, no question about it. You are taking an interest in this problem and making investigations at your own expense. This has given us great insight and information with which to work, and I think it has highlighted it again before the forum of public opinion that we were talking about. So we are very grateful, and we do appreciate your comments. We do not mean any inference at all that we are not entirely grateful for your appearance.

Mr. DOUGLAS. Thank you very much.

Senator MOSS. I think Senator Hansen had a question.

Senator HANSEN. Mr. Chairman, I have listened with a great deal of interest to what has been said here. I would like first of all to pay tribute to your great energy and your evangelistic spirit. I think you have demonstrated a continuing interest in the vitality in government which certainly establishes you as a very unusual person, Senator Douglas, and I want to compliment you for your interest and motivation that prompted you to go out to Colorado.

Mr. DOUGLAS. You are very kind.

Senator HANSEN. I would like to say to Mr. Barry, first of all, that I want to pay tribute to your very commendable defense of the due process theory that you have enunciated here this morning, I think,