

S.O. 21

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Corbin): Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to, Bill read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Transport.

Mr. Lewis: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I believe the next item of business is Bill C-95. In view of the fact that we have dealt with this Bill so expeditiously and sent it to committee, would the House be disposed to call it one o'clock, since the Hon. Member for York-Peel (Mr. Stevens), has the floor? He is not here at the moment and I know he wants to continue his remarks.

Mr. Smith: Yes, Mr. Speaker, being eminently reasonable on this side we think that is an acceptable suggestion and agree to it.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Corbin): There being unanimous agreement, this House stands adjourned until two o'clock this afternoon.

At 12:26 p.m. the House took recess.

AFTER RECESS

The House resumed at 2 p.m.

STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO S.O. 21

[Translation]

NATIONAL UNITY
ALLEGED DECLARATION BY PREMIER RENÉ LÉVESQUE IN FRANCE

Mr. Carlo Rossi (Bourassa): Madam Speaker, I am rising in the House today to protest against a statement made yesterday in France by René Lévesque, to the effect that the next referendum in Quebec will be won by the Separatists, because according to Mr. Lévesque, 100,000 senior citizens will no longer be there to speak out against separatism. His comments are a sad reflection on the extremist mentality of Mr. Lévesque and his feelings of vindictiveness vis-à-vis senior citizens. He is practically wishing a speedy demise on the senior citizens who built Quebec and defended its traditions and language well before the Separatists or Lévesque himself. It shows a lack of tact, of judgment, of charity and of gratitude to those who deserve our gratitude, love and respect. Madam Speaker, these words spoken by the Premier of Quebec reflect a morally and socially cynical outlook and the attitude that the end justifies the means. Today, I am ashamed of the Premier of Quebec, and I am therefore speaking out on behalf of millions of Quebecers who respect our senior citizens and want

to live in a Quebec that is free of separatism and part of a prosperous Canada that respects its senior citizens.

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[English]

NUCLEAR ARMAMENTS
QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE IN FAVOUR OF CRUISE MISSILE TESTING

Mr. Bill Domm (Peterborough): Madam Speaker, I am pleased to release the results of 2,567 written responses to a questionnaire distributed in May, 1983, on the testing of the Cruise missile. First, the findings reveal overwhelming support for NATO's decision to deploy Pershing II and Cruise missiles in western Europe to counter the imbalance created by the Soviet deployment of over 300 mobile SS-20 missiles. Second, the vast majority favours Canada testing the unarmed Cruise missile in Canada.

The results of the questionnaire are as follows:

Do you believe that our western allies should station Pershing II and Cruise missiles in western Europe if the Russians fail to remove some 315 triple-headed SS-20 missiles threatening western Europe?

Those people who answered yes, 84 per cent.

The next question was:

Do you believe Canada should remain in NATO?

Those who answered yes, 95.8 per cent.

The third question was:

Do you believe Canada should agree to have the unarmed Cruise missile tested at Cold Lake, Alberta?

Those who answered yes, 79 per cent; those who answered no, 21 per cent.

The results of this poll cause me to believe firmly that Canada should encourage and promote positive discussions at all levels of disarmament negotiations. However, I do not feel world peace can be achieved from a position of perceived weakness. The strength of the NATO Alliance holds the key to our quest for peace and our survival as a free society.

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Mr. Marcel Roy (Laval): Madam Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 21, I wish to inform my colleagues in the House of the indignation of Quebec senior citizens following a statement made in Paris by Premier René Lévesque which I would call the PQ's euthanasia policy. Madam Speaker, I would like to quote from this week's issue of the magazine, *Le nouvel observateur*: