

jobs. The value of the dollar will decline. Interest rates will climb." And every time, Mr. Speaker, we found out that in those 18 months the actual number of new jobs created has been higher than in all European countries as a whole during the same period.

**Mrs. Finestone:** And interest rates as well?

**Mr. Vincent:** And interest rates went down 2 per cent since September 1984, while the value of the Canadian dollar has been steadily rising since the February 1986 Budget. The dollar has gone up and down every time a Budget was introduced in the past 25 years. It has nothing to do with the Conservative Government. It was the same thing under the previous Liberal administration. The people must be made aware of that. Such fluctuations are normal the day following a Budget, and eventually the value of the dollar becomes stable, as is the case now. Interest rates are declining and job creation is at an unprecedented level.

Again this weekend it was announced that the unemployment rate had gone down in the riding of Trois-Rivières, as it did at the national level. Mr. Speaker, that is good news.

#### *Adjournment Debate*

Of course, the Opposition is not happy and will check whether the chart is on page 5 or page 6 and whether there are two different documents, one for Canadians and another one for the other countries. I can understand it. That is the role of the Opposition. However, Mr. Speaker, people are also beginning to say that, instead of always criticizing, instead of checking whether the chart is on the right page or not, the role of the Opposition should also be to propose solutions and to make valid suggestions, instead of speaking about whether a chart should be on one page or another. Mr. Speaker, that is certainly the role of the Opposition.

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**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Attewell):** The motion to adjourn the House is now deemed to have been adopted. Accordingly, the House stands adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a.m. pursuant to Standing Order 3(1).

The House adjourned at 6.29 p.m.

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