

Routine Proceedings

MILITARY EXPORTS

Mr. Stan Keyes (Hamilton West): Mr. Speaker, I also have the duty, pursuant to Standing Order 36, to present to the House a petition signed by 25 members of local churches, including the Westhill United Church in the riding of Hamilton West. The petition calls upon the government to provide full disclosure of Canadian military exports including the type, producers and vendors, purchaser and transporter, as well as the immediate and final destinations of the military exports to be printed in register form and available to the Canadian public upon request.

PROPOSED GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

Mr. Fred J. Mifflin (Bonavista—Trinity—Conception): Mr. Speaker, I rise pursuant to Standing Order 36 to present five petitions with a total of 150 signatures of Canadians who strongly oppose the goods and services tax. They feel it is an unprecedented tax grab from the pockets of Canadians and will hit people not only hard but it will result in higher taxes, higher inflation, higher interest rates and higher unemployment.

These petitions have been duly certified by the clerk and these people humbly pray and call upon Parliament to reject the proposed goods and services tax.

VIA RAIL

Mr. Lyle Vanclief (Prince Edward—Hastings): Mr. Speaker, I rise today to present a petition from constituents in the city of Peterborough, some 639 names, who are calling upon the government to rescind the decisions that it has announced this morning in regard to VIA Rail.

Mrs. Christine Stewart (Northumberland): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour and the privilege to present, pursuant to Standing Order 36, a petition signed by 5,400 of my constituents in the riding of Northumberland. They object to the government's proposed cut-backs to VIA Rail and, with the announcements today, suggest that the government should put a moratorium on all its proposed cut-backs. The petitioners have a concern that this government, which seems to be on the fast track to oblivion, is going to leave them on January 19, 1990, to freeze to death on the railway platforms in Trenton, Cobourg and Port Hope in my riding.

[Translation]

PROPOSED GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

Mr. Gilles Rocheleau (Hull—Aylmer): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36, I wish to table 93 petitions, duly signed and certified, containing 2,808 signatures in all from people in the riding of Hull—Aylmer and the Outaouais region who are opposed to the imposition of a tax on sales of goods and services and who ask the Government to withdraw this tax.

• (1530)

[English]

LOW LEVEL FLIGHTS

Mr. Dan Heap (Trinity—Spadina): Mr. Speaker, I rise in accordance with Standing Order 36 to present a petition signed by a number of residents of Toronto calling upon Parliament to join with the Innu of Labrador in demanding that the Canadian government end all the NORAD-NATO low-level flight training in Canada, oppose establishment of a NATO operation in Canada, including the tactical fighter and reference training centre proposed for Goose Bay and redirect Canada's NATO-NORAD funding toward enabling Canada's aboriginal peoples to regain control of their lands and their livelihood in promoting sustainable development for all Canadians.

VIA RAIL

Mr. Iain Angus (Thunder Bay—Atikokan): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour and duty to table petitions signed by 74 residents of the community of Atikokan, a north-western Ontario community that lost its rail passenger services some 10 years ago. They are concerned now that their neighbours in Thunder Bay, Dryden, Ignace, Nipigon, Red Rock, Terrace Bay, Schreiber all of the communities along the Canadian route will join them in having lost their transportation services and options.

The undersigned call upon Parliament to maintain VIA Rail, Canada's present national network, to upgrade VIA Rail with new equipment and to give VIA Rail a sufficient budget to maintain its national mandate for passenger services.