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ENERGY

PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF HEAVY OIL UPGRADER AT LLOYDMINSTER, SASK.

Mr. Alex Kindy (Calgary East): Mr. Speaker, in 1984 an agreement was signed by the federal Government and the Governments of Saskatchewan and Alberta to build a heavy oil upgrader at Lloydminster, Saskatchewan. As conventional supplies of light crude oil in western Canada are gradually declining, we must replace these resources by upgrading our heavy oil resources. Not to do so would be to turn back the clock and cause us to become increasingly dependent upon foreign crude supplies.

The construction of the Husky Lloydminster upgrader and associated field facilities will generate significant direct and indirect employment benefits for Alberta and Saskatchewan. Much of this employment will involve highly skilled engineering and technical expertise. In addition, large indirect benefits will be generated in Ontario and Quebec where much of the hardware for the project will be manufactured.

Cancellation of the Husky project will cast a serious shadow over all major non-conventional oil and gas development projects now in the planning stage. These projects are both capital and labour intensive and, as such, will provide the backbone in the "engine of future economic growth" for Canada. We hope the Government of Canada is going to stick to its signed agreement and proceed with the project as intended.

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CROWN CORPORATIONS

SALE OF DE HAVILLAND CORPORATION

Mr. Sergio Marchi (York West): Mr. Speaker, the sale of de Havilland to a U.S. multinational corporation reflects the Tories' blind quest for privatization and commitment to satisfy U.S. interests at all costs. However, all the costs involved are Canadian costs. There is the lack of job guarantees, the huge investment Canadians have made in de Havilland, the loss of precious and unique research and technology, the timely development of markets for its products, especially with the introduction of deregulation, and the fact that de Havilland represents one-quarter of the Canadian aerospace industry.

de Havilland went from a wholly Canadian enterprise which inspired a sense of national pride and national achievement, to a simple number within a conglomerate of companies whose future importance can be changed or ended dramatically based on the whims of its U.S. corporate bosses.

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de Havilland's sale is Canada's loss. It not only reminds us of the Avro-Arrow tragedy, but also brings back to life the Conservative Party's opposition to our own Canadian flag, our own Canadian anthem, our own Canadian FIRA, and our own Canadian Constitution, and now it is opposing our efforts to own and control our own Canadian aircraft industry.

The Government has brought shame once again to our Canadian identity and to the principle of Canadian sovereignty. Canadians will not forgive nor forget this regressive, un-Canadian policy move by this regressive Government.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

SRI LANKA—ATTACKS ON TAMIL POPULATION

Mr. Ernie Epp (Thunder Bay-Nipigon): Mr. Speaker, the Tamils of Sri Lanka are being forced to flee their homeland in fear for their lives. A demonstration yesterday on Parliament Hill by several busloads of Tamil-Canadians dramatized their concern about attacks on their compatriots in Sri Lanka. They presented evidence which Amnesty International has gathered that the Sri Lankan army is resorting to torture of Tamils and other persons in military camps. The Prevention of Terrorism Act passed in 1979 has encouraged Sri Lankan military and police personnel to make random attacks on Tamils. Regulations have recently been issued to control the inquests into the deaths produced by this violence.

Sri Lanka has been a large recipient of Canadian aid for more than 30 years. The Colombo Plan is, in its very name, a reminder of these links. These Commonwealth ties should only make us more sensitive to the use of irregular and arbitrary violence by those who are responsible for law and order in Sri Lanka. I call on the Secretary of State for External Affairs (Mr. Clark) to ensure that Canadian aid, including trucks, is not used in this proto-civil war in Sri Lanka. I call on him to encourage the Government of Sri Lanka to avoid the kind of irregular violence that has disfigured the life of so many countries in these last years.

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ABORIGINAL RIGHTS

MEETING BETWEEN HAIDA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA ATTORNEY GENERAL

Mrs. Mary Collins (Capilano): Mr. Speaker, over the past month many Canadians have been deeply concerned as they have watched events unfold on Lyell Island in the Queen Charlottes of British Columbia. The issues involved are complex. Many people are directly affected by activities on South Moresby and are concerned about its future. These people include the Haida people, loggers, residents of the Queen Charlotte communities, and those proposing a park on South Moresby.