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not safe for anyone. A world that is not safe for Jews and blacks is not safe for democracy.

I would beg all Hon. Members to listen in a reasoned way and to watch, think and act. Those are children out there. They represent the future of the blacks and whites who want and should be able to live together. The incredible indignities are hard to conceive of, but they are happening again. Let us not let them stand alone. Let us all stand and be counted when human rights and dignities are being assaulted.

When the world vowed "Never Again", all the nations stood to be counted and the Nuremberg trials took place. We said that we would be counted. Unfortunately, human history is replete with examples of man's inhumanity to man and the brutality in human behaviour which results if bigotry, fear and hatred are allowed to guide Governments and individual actions. That may be how the Government in Pretoria sees things, but that is not the way Canada accepts things.

Our voice must be heard through a concrete measure. I would not have advocated the concrete measure of sanctions if it had not been brought to our attention by so many different sources. It seems that that is the way we might be able to bring our message home. A coin has two sides. If one looks at a coin and uses the correlation between human rights and economic measures, where human rights are being destroyed, ignored, or violated, one must turn to the obverse side of the coin and use economic measures, because one goes with the other. It is a message of power and property versus people's rights.

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We must say that never again shall a society allow citizens to become separated, husbands and wives. We are not the property of another. Never again should a society allow human beings to be deposited in a calculated way in a form of genocide, because that is what is taking place. Never again, in the face of the 1,000 who were harassed the other day and the others who are being hurt, yes, killed on a daily basis, shall we be found wanting because we do not speak out. We must learn the lesson of history.

If any country is in a privileged position to have learned, it is this country. We are a country which is multicultural. We are a country which has all the beautiful shades of the earth that make up our human tapestry. We must speak out and we must speak out strongly with revulsion against apartheid, this organization of the South African state. There is no sense in saving the life of an institution if that institution does not serve the will of the people.

I end up by saying that we must act, stand up and be counted. We are our brother's keeper and we are our brother's conscience. As the sage Hillel said, "If I am not for myself, then who am I? But if I am but for myself, then what am I?"

**Some Hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**Mr. Bob Brisco (Kootenay West):** Mr. Speaker, those of us who have had the opportunity to sit here this afternoon and

listen to the debate would like to see the same tone of debate continue for evermore in the House. Of course we know that is not to be, but how refreshingly different. At the outset I should like to concur with the calibre and quality of the contributions of Hon. Members as well as the thoughtfulness of their suggestions. I particularly appreciated the contribution of the Hon. Member for Surrey—White Rock—North Delta (Mr. Friesen). As was pointed out earlier today by the Minister of State for Finance (Mrs. McDougall), Canada has taken 21 deliberate actions with reference specifically to South Africa over a period of two years.

Let us look at recent history, at the role which Canada has played, and at the will and leadership of Canadians to help to resolve—and we are not there yet—starvation in Ethiopia and starvation in other parts of Africa. Concerns have been expressed today. There is a unanimity of feeling that the problem is there and must be addressed on an urgent basis. Surely, if we can demonstrate it that well, as we did and will continue to demonstrate it for the starving millions, be they in Ethiopia or anywhere else on the globe, we can address ourselves toward assisting with a solution in terms of the serious and horrendous problems of South Africa.

When I reflect upon the actions we have seen, I am reminded of the student uprisings in the sixties both in the United States and in Canada. I think it was at Kent State University that a couple of students were shot and killed. There was police action. There was jail. There may even have been some billy-sticks. The point ultimately was proved. I compare that with what I witnessed the other night. There was a group of young people sitting on a street somewhere in South Africa. I do not know whether it was in Pretoria, Johannesburg, or Cape Town. The police moved in with whips. I sat there and I winced with those whites and blacks because it was a savage attack. If police action is necessary in this circumstance, if they are blocking some commercial traffic, surely one picks them up by their arms and moves them to the paddy wagon, if necessary. One has to think what mind induced the savagery behind the action of the police using those whips. It really bothered me, as of course have other things.

I recall asking someone from South Africa about a labour leader. Regretfully I cannot remember his name, but he died in prison. It was said that he had met with an accident. He was lying in his open coffin. His forehead was obviously bruised and swollen. It left no doubt, in my mind at least, how he had suffered and how he had met his death. We must ask ourselves: Is that the correct approach to resolving an horrendous problem?

There are those who can speak with much greater depth of experience than I can. I respect their knowledge and experience, but I cannot help think that if we left the solution to the children of the world we probably would not have a problem, because they do not identify according to colour. They do not identify according to language. They identify according to being children. I do not know what happens when people reach adulthood or that period in which they become