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[English]

### SCHINDLER'S LIST

**Mr. Dan McTeague (Ontario):** Mr. Speaker, the film "Schindler's List" depicts what can occur when racism is permitted to go unchallenged or, even worse, ignored.

[Translation]

The increased incidence of racism and hate propaganda in Canada, as well as the tragic events in Eastern Europe, demonstrate that the atrocities of the Second World War related in the movie cannot be viewed as an isolated event or a historical aberration.

The horrors of the past could be repeated—in fact they have already been repeated—if we do not fight racism. MCA Universal gave me the authorization to show, for the benefit of all parliamentarians, the movie "Schindler's List" this evening. We, the legislators representing the various regions of our country, have the obligation, towards our voters and towards all Canadians, to support the efforts of those who fight against racism, both here and throughout the world.

[English]

I would like to thank MCA Universal for their support and I also wish to thank my colleagues in this House and in the other place.

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### LOS ANGELES EARTHQUAKE

**Mr. Sarkis Assadourian (Don Valley North):** Mr. Speaker, on January 17, 1994 at approximately 7.30 a.m. eastern standard time a severe earthquake measuring 6.6 on the Richter scale struck the city of Los Angeles.

Due to the severity of the earthquake over 25,000 people were left homeless, 45 are dead and over 2,000 are injured.

I wish to express my great sense of sorrow to these individuals and at the same time urge the Prime Minister on behalf of this House to convey our condolences to President Clinton and the victims of the disaster.

No doubt in the near future when we know the full extent of this earthquake we will know more about this tragedy.

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### INTER-CITY PRODUCTS CANADA LIMITED

**Mrs. Jane Stewart (Brant):** Mr. Speaker, it is with great concern and regret that I announce a plant closing in my riding of Brant.

Today Inter-City Products Canada Limited is closing its Elgin Street plant in the city of Brantford. Three hundred men and women will be looking for employment come tomorrow. Inter-

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City has been part of our community for 45 years. It has had to rationalize and downsize as a result of today's economic climate.

Our local Canada Employment Centre and the Industrial Adjustment Service are working with the company and with the union to support the employees. But I would encourage our ministers to continue to push hard with the infrastructure program in Ontario, with the initiatives that we have in support of small and medium-sized business and to develop new opportunities for our young people.

Brant needs this and so does Canada.

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[Translation]

### CANADIAN BLUE BERETS

**Mr. Jean-Marc Jacob (Charlesbourg):** Mr. Speaker, like my colleagues, I wish to take this first opportunity to congratulate you on your election as Speaker of this House.

I would like to draw your attention to a situation which, I am sure, is a matter of concern to all members of this House. I am referring to our Canadian Blue Berets who are doing an exceptional job of peacekeeping and promoting peace on the international scene.

I would like to express, on behalf of Quebecers and Canadians, some very serious concerns about their safety. I would therefore ask the government to provide guarantees that any NATO intervention would not have the effect of jeopardizing the safety or endangering the lives of 150 Blue Berets trapped at Srebrenica, most of whom are from CFB Valcartier, located in Charlesbourg, my riding.

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### WINTER GAMES

**Mr. Raymond Lavigne (Verdun—Saint-Paul):** Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate you on your election as Speaker of this House, and I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the people in Verdun—Saint-Paul, including Pointe-Saint-Charles, for placing their trust in me for the next four years.

[English]

I want to thank all the people of the riding of Verdun—Saint-Paul including Pointe-Saint-Charles for the mandate they have given me for the next four years.

[Translation]

Today the Canadian Olympic Association announced simultaneously, in Montreal and Calgary, the membership of the Canadian team. I would like to salute these 105 athletes, the best in the country, 31 women and 74 men, with a large representation from Quebec, who will represent Canada at the Lillehammer Winter Games in Norway next February.