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the Tiananmen Square massacre in China earlier this year.

In Canada we have watched the increased persecution of the two million Hungarian minority in Romania and its protestant leader, the Reverend Laszlo Tokes. We wrote letters. We have watched Romanian masses being subjected to cold, hunger and misery, only to reward a dictator's blind, inhumane obsessions to pay off foreign debt.

Despite this, we have continued to trade with Romania. In recognition of Romania as a country where there is no freedom of expression, religion, association, and assembly, where the government massacres its own people, where we know there is no human rights commitment, Canada must act. Canada must press Gorbachev to intervene with compassion in the situation in Romania. We must reassess our trade with Romania. We must guarantee that Romania abides by the non-proliferation provisions of our Candu reactor trade contract. We must commit to bold action, not just the use of words.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT

Mr. Peter L. McCreath (South Shore): Mr. Speaker, last October, after six months of thorough debate and coast-to-coast public hearings, this House passed Bill C-21 which will inaugurate significant improvements to Canada's UI system.

Atlantic Canadians need the additional access to employment and training opportunities which Bill C-21 will bring into effect. Atlantic Canadians approve of tightening up the system so there are less abuses of it. Atlantic Canadians need the benefit of variable entrance requirements.

I am really appalled at the utter contempt which the Liberal party, through its use of the other place, shows for democracy in this country. I say to the Leader of the Opposition, end the hypocrisy that purports to show an interest in unemployed Canadians while in fact doing them in. Let democracy prevail. End the MacEachen blackmail.

NUCLEAR WEAPONS

Mr. Bill Blaikie (Winnipeg Transcona): Mr. Speaker, I rise today to bring to the attention of the House the issue of the MX Rail Garrison Program.

On November 29 the American air force announced its finalized plans for modernization of its nuclear missile force in North Dakota. Four trains, each armed with two MX missiles, will be stationed in Grand Forks. Each MX missile has 10 accurate, independently targeted and extremely powerful warheads.

The trains allow for mobility of the MX in times of crisis, making them less targetable than standard ICBMs and creating uncertainty for the so-called enemy. They have a destabilizing effect and represent a serious escalation in the arms race.

The stationing of MX-equipped rail cars so close to the Canadian border, not only in North Dakota but at several other American bases, should be protested by the Canadian government. It represents an unwelcome addition to the already considerable nuclear arsenal. There are presently 1,500 warheads in North Dakota alone, only miles from Canadian territory.

I urge the government to speak out against this inappropriate escalation of the arms race and, failing removal of the MX rail cars, to seek a guarantee that these trains will never move in the direction of Canada.

CAPE BRETON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Mr. Dave Dingwall (Cape Breton – East Richmond): Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my disappointment with the behaviour and activities of the minister responsible for the Cape Breton Development Corporation. Union representatives and management personnel are in the midst of negotiating a collective agreement.

The minister has intervened by placing on the table the possible closure of the Lingan colliery which employs 1,200 persons. He has threatened that if a collective agreement is not signed for a duration of four years this