

*Royal Assent*

● (1150)

[Translation]

## SPORT

## REQUEST FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF HOCKEY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Mr. Roch La Salle (Joliette):** Mr. Speaker, I apologize for disturbing the Minister of National Health and Welfare who is in conference somewhere. As he has now resumed his seat I will put my question to him.

As the Hockey Players' Association of the National League has the day before yesterday asked the federal government to appoint a powerful commission to remove "injustices" against hockey players and settle disputes in the whole field of sports, does the minister intend to give special attention to this representation and can he, today, if it is not too soon, tell us when he intends to deal with the claim of the Hockey Players' Association of the National League?

**Hon. Marc Lalonde (Minister of National Health and Welfare):** Mr. Speaker, Mr. Eagleson's brief was brought before a Senate committee. Parliament and the Senate are now considering concise legislation to regulate competition in Canada. It is obvious that I will have to look into the recommendations of Parliament before taking a position.

[English]

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, I have the distinct impression that the proceedings are about to be interrupted by a messenger. In view of the fact that before we are officially advised of that fact there are about 15 minutes remaining in the question period, perhaps hon. members would want to be assured that when we do return to the chamber we would resume the question period for that 15 minutes.

## THE ROYAL ASSENT

[English]

A message was delivered by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod as follows:

Mr. Speaker, His Excellency the Governor General desires the immediate attendance of this honourable House in the chamber of the honourable the Senate.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker with the House went up to the Senate chamber.

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And being returned:

**Mr. Speaker** informed the House that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give, in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following bills:

Bill S-12, an act to amend the Immigration Act—Chapter 9.

Bill C-214, an act to amend the electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act—Chapter 10.

Bill S-13, an act respecting the boundary between the provinces of Alberta and British Columbia—Chapter 11.

[Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton).]

Bill C-18, an act to amend the Fire Losses Replacement Account Act—Chapter 12.

Bill S-11, an act respecting British Columbia Telephone Company (private bill).

## ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

[English]

## EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

## EXCLUSION OF ISRAEL FROM UNESCO—GOVERNMENT ACTION

**Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition):** Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Acting Prime Minister who is also the Acting Secretary of State for External Affairs. In view of the withdrawal of all UNESCO funds from Israel and the denial to Israel of a place in UNESCO'S regional structure, both of which seem to be very much alien to the purpose of UNESCO, is the government reconsidering a contribution to UNESCO or taking some vigorous action?

**Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Acting Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, like members of both sides of the House we deplore the politicization of UNESCO represented by the resolutions passed at the eighteenth general conference concerning the withholding of cultural assistance to Israel and Israel's exclusion from a regional group. Canada opposed this resolution but is not contemplating withholding any part of the Canadian contribution from UNESCO. We understand the new Director General attaches importance to depoliticizing the organization, a development we welcome.

**Mr. Stanfield:** A supplementary. Does the government of Canada intend to take any initiative to indicate strongly its view and displeasure over what has taken place?

**Mr. Sharp:** Mr. Speaker, what I have said now indicates the view of the Canadian government, and this will be conveyed at an appropriate time to the organization itself. We have already opposed the resolutions that were approved. I can say very firmly now that Canada deplores this kind of action and believes it could have the effect of destroying what are very useful international organizations.

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## ENERGY

## REQUEST FOR TABLING OF GUIDELINES ON EXPORT OF NUCLEAR FUEL AND REACTORS—INFLUENCE OF VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER OF IRAN ON DECISION ON GUIDELINES

**Miss Flora MacDonald (Kingston and the Islands):** Mr. Speaker, my question was for the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources but in his absence I will direct it to the Acting Prime Minister. In view of the fact that cabinet has approved a policy on safeguards respecting the export of nuclear fuel, technology, reactors and other equipment and in view of the concern of many Canadians about our