

*Proceedings on Adjournment Motion*

**Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State):** Mr. Speaker, I believe everything has been said on the abolition of that program.

I should simply like to remind the hon. member, who is perfectly aware of it since he mentioned it—that the minister, qualified as responsible for the C.B.C., is not responsible for its programming; he is merely a spokesman for the C.B.C. in Parliament.

Therefore, he does not have to pass judgments and still less to interfere with the programming. The C.B.C.'s reply, which was given after due consideration by the Corporation of the numerous protests received, is to the effect that this program had lost a great part of its audience, having been listed for 11 years on the schedule and that, so as to

ensure a living programming, one must change programs from time to time.

Finally, I should like to say that the hon. member would be wrong to get worried about the folkloric point of view, because on the English national network, the program he and several other members referred to has been replaced by another which is also of a folkloric character, but on the value of which I do not believe it appropriate to pass personal judgment.

**Mr. Speaker:** It being past ten o'clock, the house stands adjourned until eleven o'clock tomorrow morning.

Motion agreed to and the house adjourned at 10.22 p.m.

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