

Canada Child Care Act

There are a number of reasons why women distrust the Prime Minister. The Government is spending \$8 billion on nuclear submarines when there is poverty, there are food banks, and there is a housing crisis in the country. Young families cannot afford to buy a home and the Government is spending \$8 billion on nuclear submarines. In the new neighbourhoods of Port Moody, Coquitlam, and Port Coquitlam, British Columbia, you cannot get door to door postal service, yet the Government is spending \$8 billion on nuclear submarines. In this country farmers and rural people are suffering, but the Government is spending \$8 billion on submarines. The Government is militarizing our economy and women instinctively know this, object to it, and will not stand for it.

The second thing the Prime Minister should consider is his free trade deal with the Americans. That affects the service sector for the first time in any trade deal in the world. Not even in the Israeli-American trade deal is the service sector included. The service sector is the fastest growing job creation sector around, and who works in that sector but women? When you consider how vulnerable to American competition our growing young service sector will be, including data processing, insurance, and computers, you will see that the Americans will take jobs from our service sector in the free trade deal. That will affect women.

Returning to day care, the same families and women who want quality day care want the Government to do something about drugs and impaired driving rather than only making political speeches about them as the present Prime Minister does.

Where was the Prime Minister on abortion? He was not even in the House. The Government's policy on abortion was a mess. It did not even have the guts to introduce a proper Bill on abortion, and Canadians have noticed that. When the Prime Minister wonders why he is not getting the votes of women he should consider what a big phoney he is on these issues and he should tackle them.

To summarize our position on this Bill, it is a flawed Bill on one of the most important subjects. It does not set out national objectives and will not increase the number of day care spaces. It will not benefit the average Canadian family which continues to be overtaxed and underserved by the Government.

I challenge the Prime Minister and his Party to call an election. We will deal with these issues in the election. We will deal with child care on the hustings. We will deal with the notion of selling out this country to the United States. We will deal with the average family paying \$1,000 a month more in taxes as a result of the Government's initiatives. We will deal with the fact that motorists have once again been hosed by the Government. We will deal with all the broken promises of the Prime Minister. We will deal with the fact that the average Canadian family loses under this Government.

[*Translation*]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): Order, please! It being 10 p.m., pursuant to order adopted on Monday, June 20, 1988, this House stands adjourned until tomorrow at 10 a.m., pursuant to Standing Order 3(1).

At 10 p.m. the House adjourned.