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[English]

The Space Agency is certainly a plus for the region. We worked hard to get it, and we are very proud of the result.

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## THE BUDGET

## LEAK OF DOCUMENTS—POSSIBLE CRIMINAL ACTION

**Mr. Ronald J. Duhamel (St. Boniface):** Mr. Speaker, after the Budget leak on April 26, time and time again a number of Government Ministers referred to it as a criminal act perpetrated by a criminal or criminals. Yet they have not provided any evidence on which to base these accusations.

All of a sudden the Government is playing all of that down. Why? I have in my hand an article which appeared in the *Winnipeg Free Press* on November 27, 1984. It is entitled: "Wilson's notes admit Manitoba hardest hit". Interestingly enough, the subtitle reads: "Secret memo left in lobby".

The article goes on to state:

The notes, together with other confidential memoranda and papers, were contained in file folders which Wilson left on a table in a downtown hotel lobby during his visit to Winnipeg yesterday.

These confidential documents were found by a reporter who later advised Wilson's aide.

I am not suggesting that this is a habit of the Minister of Finance (Mr. Wilson). However it might be wise for the Minister to check to ensure that last week's Budget leak is not linked to a similar incident.

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[Translation]

## SPACE AGENCY

## LOCATION ON MONTREAL SOUTH SHORE

**Mr. Nic Leblanc (Longueuil):** Mr. Speaker, a few months ago our Government announced that it would locate the space agency in the Montreal area.

All organizations on the South Shore immediately started working to get the space agency on Montreal's South Shore.

Today, I want to thank the South Shore Chamber of Commerce, the *Société du Progrès de la Montérégie*, the *Société Montérégienne de développement*, the mayors and provincial MLAs who were working together with us, the federal Members, in this major endeavour for our region.

Our thanks to the people of Montreal's South Shore!

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[English]

## NUCLEAR WEAPONS

## LOCATION OF MISSILES

**Mr. Joseph Volpe (Eglinton—Lawrence):** Mr. Speaker, the U.S. administration has decided to go ahead with the rail-basing of 50 MX missiles, each containing 10 nuclear warheads. Each one of these warheads is 20 times more powerful than the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima.

One half of this system will be based near the western Canada-U.S. border. During a crisis the U.S. could utilize its proximity with Canada to avoid nuclear attack by moving the missiles closer to the Canadian border, or even across the border. Canada would be targeted in the event of a nuclear conflict.

Prior to this decision I brought the issue to the attention of this House. Then, as now, there was no Government response.

The Secretary of State for External Affairs (Mr. Clark) and the Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney) should, during the course of their meetings with American officials concerning the current NATO dispute, seek public assurances from the United States that Canadian territory will not be used for the deployment of this mobile nuclear weapons system. The Canadian Government must not allow the security and sovereignty of its people to be compromised.

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## UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

## PROPOSED CHANGES—CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS

**Mr. Ron Fisher (Saskatoon—Dundurn):** Mr. Speaker, along with my colleagues the Hon. Member for Essex—Windsor (Mr. Langdon) and Mission—Coquitlam (Ms. Langan) I met with representatives of 22 organizations whose focus is the condition in which average Canadians will find themselves and their families if the proposed changes to the unemployment insurance system are implemented.

These organizations expressed grave concerns about the Minister's proposals on working people in the country. They made it crystal clear that cross-country hearings should be held immediately so as to provide Canadians with the opportunity to educate the Government on life in the real world.