

—this is a point that I will bring to the attention of the Secretary of State for External Affairs because I think the leadership role that Canada can play in this, as the hon. member suggests, is very timely and important and the Government of Canada would like to do that.

Could the minister tell the House today what exactly Canada's role will be?

**Right Hon. Joe Clark (Secretary of State for External Affairs):** Mr. Speaker, I was able to talk to my parliamentary secretary as soon as I got back from Montreal yesterday, and I also gave our officials certain instructions.

First, we believe that for the time being, it would be more effective for us to pursue the general question within the context of the Geneva talks on chemical weapons, which we are doing now.

I will continue to look at this question, and as soon as we can usefully raise the matter in the UN Security Council, we will do so.

Third, today I have given instructions that Canada's ambassador in Iraq be called to my department so that we can inform him of our concern about the statement by the President of Iraq.

**Mr. Speaker:** I am sorry, but the time for oral question period has expired.

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## BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

### WEEKLY STATEMENT

**Mr. Jean-Robert Gauthier (Ottawa—Vanier):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question, the one the House leader is usually asked on Thursday. I would direct it to the Minister of State (Youth), Minister of State (Fitness and Amateur Sport) and Deputy Leader of the Government in the House, who is still our Deputy Speaker. I would like to know what is on the government's legislative agenda for the coming days until next Wednesday, when we break for Easter. Could he tell us the government's legislative program?

**Hon. Marcel Danis (Minister of State (Youth), Minister of State (Fitness and Amateur Sport) and Deputy Leader of the Government in the House):** Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to tell my hon. friend that tomorrow will be a supply day. On Monday and Tuesday, the government intends to proceed with Bill C-62. As for Wednesday, we will continue our consultations with my hon. friend and

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the hon. member for Kamloops and we will tell the House once we have reached a decision.

[English]

**Mr. Boudria:** I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker.

I understand that the Speaker is prepared to hear further points of order relating to the matter brought before the House this Tuesday by the hon. minister—

**Mr. Speaker:** I should make it very clear that I will hear not further points of order, but further argument. I know the hon. member would want to understand that distinction.

**Mr. Boudria:** Thank you for correcting me, Mr. Speaker. Obviously, what I want to do is bring a number of further arguments very briefly—

[Translation]

**Mr. Speaker:** I am very sorry to interrupt the hon. member, but the hon. member for Saskatoon—Clark's Crossing is raising a question of privilege.

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[English]

## PRIVILEGE

### COMMENTS DURING QUESTION PERIOD

**Mr. Chris Axworthy (Saskatoon—Clark's Crossing):** Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of privilege stemming from the comments made by the Minister of National Health and Welfare yesterday in response to my question regarding the Meme breast implant.

In response to my question the minister made two comments which attacked my motives and—

**Mr. Cooper:** Mr. Speaker, on a point of order.

Traditionally, when a point of privilege is raised we ask that the people involved be here. Unfortunately, we did not have any notice of this particular question of privilege, and I am afraid the Minister of Health is not here. Perhaps it could be set off until we can arrange for his presence.

**Mr. Speaker:** The hon. parliamentary secretary raises a point which is customary in this place. I wonder if the hon. member for Saskatoon—Clark's Crossing would extend to his colleague, the minister, that courtesy. Perhaps both the minister and the hon. member could liaise through my office and we could arrange to have the matter heard at the earliest convenience to both the