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The guaranteed revenue insurance plan and the net income stabilization account together will provide comprehensive income stabilization for grain and oilseed farmers. These programs will be production neutral and will be tailored to the situation of the individual producer by using individual yield information and individual stabilization accounts.

Farmers will be able to calculate in early spring their guaranteed total returns for each crop. This guarantee will introduce an element of certainty and predictability so that farmers can better plan their business.

Canadian grain and oilseed farmers urge the federal and provincial governments to expedite the introduction of this new generation of farm safety nets.

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SECOND WORLD CLIMATE CONFERENCE

Hon. Chas. L. Caccia (Davenport): Mr. Speaker, "notwithstanding scientific and economic uncertainties, nations should now take steps toward reducing sources and increasing sinks of greenhouse gases through national and regional actions". So concluded over 700 scientists from 120 countries at the second World Climate Conference, recently concluded in Geneva. They went on to call for a 1 per cent to 2 per cent per year cut in carbon dioxide emissions, starting now.

After the scientists, the ministers met, including the Canadian Minister of the Environment. Unfortunately Canada failed to heed the urgent call for action so that the final ministerial declaration does not contain targets and timetables on CO₂ reductions.

As a result, Canada is no longer a leader in global environmental action. We are instead falling in line with a White House agenda, and that is most unfortunate.

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CANADIAN COALITION ON ACID RAIN

Mr. Stan Darling (Parry Sound—Muskoka): Mr. Speaker, President Bush's signing into law last Thursday of the new U.S. clean air legislation means that the future health of Canada's lakes, rivers and trees is a little more certain. The United States is now firmly committed to reducing its acid rain causing emissions by 50 per cent

by the year 2000, and the new law lays a solid foundation for the finalization of a transboundary treaty between our two countries.

No group is more deserving of our thanks in this long battle than the Canadian Coalition on Acid Rain. Of particular note are the coalition's two dynamic co-ordinators, Adele Hurley and Michael Perley, whose intensive and tireless lobbying of the economic and political decision makers on both sides of the border contributed greatly to last week's historic signing.

Tonight, Mr. Speaker, at a victory party at Casa Loma in Toronto, to which you and I are both invited, the coalition will celebrate. I say celebrate long and hard for it has earned the gratitude of a nation and that of future generations.

A few moments ago I had the privilege of speaking to our ambassador in Washington, the hon. Derek Burney, and commended him for the great work that he has done in bringing this to a very successful conclusion.

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NOVA SCOTIA ARCHIVES

Ms. Mary Clancy (Halifax): Mr. Speaker, the Nova Scotia Archives in Halifax has had a proud tradition of providing materials to students, scholars, writers, and interested amateurs for scores of years. It is accessible both in the physical and the intellectual sense for all who wish to use it. Consequently, the discovery some days ago that all reference cards relating to blacks and to women had been removed by some vandal is a double tragedy. Dr. Frances Early, historian and past chair of women's studies at Mount St. Vincent University, said that the removal of this material and its resulting blow to women's and blacks' research is an assault on the dignity of both groups, as a denial of one's history is a denial of one's importance and one's contribution.

Black history in Nova Scotia includes the Black United Empire Loyalists, as well as being the terminal of the underground railroad in pre-United States Civil War days.

The role of women in Nova Scotia has been documented from the early days of New France at Port Royal to the development of Canada's only women's university.