

Be it resolved,

That the 500 people gathered at this meeting reaffirm support for Canada's official position as stated at the GATT negotiations in Brussels in 1990, and

That any deviation from this position without the support of Canadian agriculture would be totally unacceptable.

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### CORRECTIONS AND CONDITIONAL RELEASE ACT

**Mr. Bill Vankoughnet (Hastings—Frontenac—Lennox and Addington):** Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my strong support for reforming Canada's penitentiary and parole system.

Key proposals in the legislation will tighten parole eligibility for violent and serious drug crimes. In these cases, full parole can be delayed at a judge's discretion to one-half the sentence from the current one-third.

This bill also adds sexual offences against children and serious drug offences to the existing category of violent crimes so that these criminals can be kept in a penitentiary for their entire sentence.

Victims of crime will be recognized in law for the first time. This legislation is the first major reform of the penitentiary and parole system in Canada for decades.

Protection of society is the primary objective of the Corrections and Conditional Release Act.

I applaud this legislation which reflects the wishes of Canadians to restore public confidence in the system and make our communities safer.

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### CORPORATIONS

**Mr. John R. Rodriguez (Nickel Belt):** Mr. Speaker, this week we have three more nominees for the corporate carpetbagger award.

Nominee number one: Inglis Ltd.; 650 jobs lost; moved its manufacturing production in January 1991 from Toronto to the United States.

Nominee number two: Bendix Safety Restraint Ltd.; moved its production from Collingwood, Ontario, to the maquiladoras. The last 80 workers lost their jobs in October 1990.

Nominee number three: Redirack; 136 jobs lost. Redirack shut down on Friday, September 28, 1990 informing

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its employees of the closure with letters to their homes on Saturday, September 29. It moved its Toronto production to Oakwood, Illinois.

The envelope please. The corporate carpetbagger of the week is Bendix Safety Restraint Ltd.

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### PERSONS CASE

**Mr. Al Horning (Okanagan Centre):** Mr. Speaker, I am privileged to rise today to offer my congratulations to Jane Manuel of Chase, British Columbia. Jane Manuel is a highly respected figure in her community and in the British Columbia Native Women's Society.

Her many efforts to improve the lives of aboriginal women in her province and her work to repeal the sections of the Indian Act that are discriminatory to women have now been recognized with her receipt of the 1991 Governor General's Award in commemoration of the Persons case. Placing the welfare of her people above all else, she has dedicated many years to working with aboriginal people on health related and legal issues, including child welfare and drug and alcohol abuse.

She has also been active in fostering the renaissance of traditional beliefs and culture in her community.

I am very pleased that Jane Manuel has received this honour for her service to Canadian women.

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### WORLD SUMMIT FOR CHILDREN

**Mrs. Carole Jacques (Mercier):** Mr. Speaker, I rise in the House today to congratulate more than 1,000 children who signed a petition supporting the commitment made by the Prime Minister of Canada at the World Summit for Children.

This petition was signed by the following schools in my riding: Félix Leclerc, François La Bernade, René Pelletier, Saint-Marcel, Sainte Marguerite Bourgeoys, Sainte Maria Goretti, Saint-Octave.

On behalf of these children in my riding, Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the Prime Minister of Canada for his interest and for the concern he has shown for the children of this world. And here are the petitions, Mr. Speaker.