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## JACQUES PARIZEAU

**Mr. Larry Schneider (Regina—Wascana):** Mr. Speaker, in an article in the *Montreal Gazette*, it states that during a trip to Paris last week Parti Quebecois leader Jacques Parizeau told a group of students that a sovereign Quebec would rely upon France even more than it has in the past.

Does this mean that Monsieur Parizeau welcomes the prospect of Quebec becoming a puppet state of France?

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Even more important, is Mr. Parizeau saying one thing to the people of France and another to the people of Quebec?

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[English]

## THE CANADA COUNCIL

**Mrs. Sheila Finestone (Mount Royal):** Mr. Speaker, Canada's cultural talents have been nurtured by the Canada Council, which can be justly proud of the achievements realized by our artists through its support. They are winners of Geminis, Genies, Junos and literary awards, and many have also captured world-wide attention by winning the Booker Prize, Prix Gaumont, Oscars, Emmys and architectural awards.

This government's ongoing starvation and latest bent on deficit reduction means a significant loss of the next generation of new and aspiring artistic greats; less "mentoring" of creative writers, dancers, composers, and builders; and less exposure to Canadian creative talent and support, as support is now decimated for touring by dance, music and theatre companies. This degenerative process cuts growth, appreciation and development outside of major Canadian cities, leaving our country culturally destitute and divided, its needs filled by foreigners.

Canadians need a strong cultural defence. I call upon the culture minister to have a talk with his leadership choice and ask her to give up one of her choppers to save Canada's cultural legacy from the chopping block.

• (1415)

## WINDSOR, ONTARIO

**Mr. Howard McCurdy (Windsor—St. Clair):** Mr. Speaker, my constituency in the Windsor area has been hit hard by the Tory recession, the Tory FTA, the Tory high dollar and the Tory GST. This, our fifth most important industrial city, has among the highest unemployment rates in the country at 13 per cent.

In contrast to the Tories, for this city in need a friend indeed has been the Rae government. Over 30 provincial government initiatives had already led to hundreds of millions in new infrastructure, industrial expansion and hundreds of new jobs when last week it confirmed the casino project with its 8,000 new jobs.

Today Chrysler Corporation will announce new investment worth \$500,000 in Windsor. Not only is that an expression of confidence in Windsor and its workers but as well in a government willing to contribute \$40 million to help create jobs.

The federal government contributed just enough, \$7 million to buy a ticket to the festivities for its minister of state for science. We know whom Chrysler, its workers and the community will thank the most. The government that cares enough to do its very best, the Government of Ontario.

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## CONSERVATIVE LEADERSHIP

**Mr. Don Boudria (Glengarry—Prescott—Russell):** Mr. Speaker, last night deep in the bowels of the Prime Minister's mansion, not the one in Westmount but the one at 24 Sussex in Ottawa, we heard the puppet master was pulling strings once again.

The PM, and that stands for puppet master, was meeting with the Minister of the Environment. Were they talking about improving the economy or cleaning up the environment? No. They were talking about improving the chances of the Minister of National Defence to win the Tory leadership race.

Temporary jobs do not attract very many candidates or much attention. Tory MPs, like other unemployed Canadians, want full-time, permanent jobs. What the PM, and that means puppet master, does not appreciate is that Canadians do not want a change of Tory; they want a change of government.