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We all know that it is extremely important to clearly explain the seriousness of these issues in order to ensure that people can clearly see for themselves what are the problems. The AIDS Committee of Toronto, for example, in the context of education, has expressed the concern that this Bill would have a very serious effect on its ability to provide sex education and information which is vitally needed to fight this very serious disease. That is an extremely serious effect that this Bill could possibly have. It is for that reason that we feel this must be redressed and that my hon. colleague proposed the amendment.

In conclusion, I would like to say that all of us recognize the need to address something which has become an extremely serious issue in society in the last 10 or 15 years, that is the issue of child pornography. I believe there is absolutely no dispute about the fact that that is a problem.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): The Hon. Member's time has now expired. We will proceed with questions and comments when the House resumes Government Orders after Question Period.

It being 1 p.m., I do now leave the chair until 2 p.m.

At 1 p.m. the House took recess.

AFTER RECESS

The House resumed at 2 p.m.

STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO S. O. 21

[English]

NATIONAL DEFENCE
CFB SUMMERSIDE—CONSTRUCTION OF NEW COMBINED MESS

Mr. George Henderson (Egmont): Mr. Speaker, once again I stand in this House to ask the Government to keep its commitment to our Armed Forces personnel at CFB Summerside. On January 24, 1985, a headline in the *Summerside Journal-Pioneer* read:

New Combined Mess Slated for CFB S'Side

—Actual Construction By Fall 1986—

The news story went on to say:

Senator Orville Phillips said this morning he and Malpeque Member of Parliament, Mel Gass, have been advised by Defence Minister Robert Coates the Department of National Defence will be awarding a design contract for the project.

It is expected the contract for actual construction of the mess will be awarded by October, 1986. Construction is expected to take about 18 months, with an April 1988 completion date projected.

This is December 7, 1987. I am now told by reliable sources that the working drawings are not expected by DND until this time next year, and construction will not start until 1989, if then.

With these kinds of misleading announcements, is it any wonder why Canadians have lost all trust in the Government? I call on the Minister of National Defence (Mr. Beatty) and the Government to stop their procrastination and get on with this worth-while project at CFB Summerside. This facility for Armed Forces personnel is long overdue and construction will mean a badly needed boost for P.E.I. construction workers.

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ABORTION
POST-ABORTION SYNDROME—CALL FOR STUDY

Mr. Bill Gottselig (Moose Jaw): Mr. Speaker, abortion is a matter of grave concern to Canadians who abhor the destruction of human life. For many years the Pro-Life Movement has attempted to make known to all Canadians the humanity of the child killed in the womb by abortion. However, the unborn child is not the only victim of abortion. Women are victims as well.

An increasing body of evidence now shows that post-abortion syndrome is fast becoming the most serious mental health issue facing women. Symptoms include denial, anger, guilt, and depression. Those problems can in turn lead to substance abuse, sexual dysfunction, relationship dysfunction, and a general decrease in coping skills.

Research has shown that up to 82 per cent of American women suffer from acute symptoms of post-abortion syndrome for up to three years following abortion. Latent symptoms can manifest themselves five to ten years following the abortion.

The United States Surgeon General recently authorized a study of post-abortion syndrome. In Britain the effect of abortion on women will be studied by a bipartisan Conservative-Labour committee. The Canadian Pro-Life Movement is concerned not only for the unborn victim of abortion, but for the women who are also victims. It would welcome a study by the federal Government on the devastating effects of post-abortion syndrome in Canada.

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DAY CARE
APPARENT FLAWS IN PROPOSED SYSTEM

Mrs. Marion Dewar (Hamilton Mountain): Mr. Speaker, the real assessment of the Government strategy concerning child care centres will be based on results obtained. Will there be more spaces for our children in day care centres? Will service quality be guaranteed? Will costs be reasonable?