

# HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, August 29, 1988

The House met at 11 a.m.

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*Prayers*

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## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[*Translation*]

### PETITIONS

#### GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

**Hon. Doug Lewis (Minister of State and Minister of State (Treasury Board)):** Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 106(8), I have the honour to table, in both official languages, the Government's response to six petitions numbered as follows: 332-5243, 332-5244, 332-5250, 332-5353, 332-5278 and 332-5289.

[*Editor's Note: See today's Votes and Proceedings.*]

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### STRIKING COMMITTEE

#### PRESENTATION OF SIXTY-NINTH REPORT

**Mr. Gabriel Fontaine (Lévis):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to table the sixty-ninth report of the Striking Committee.

If it is the pleasure of the House, I intend to move the adoption of the sixty-ninth report later today.

[*Editor's Note: See today's Votes and Proceedings.*]

#### CONCURRENCE IN SIXTY-NINTH REPORT

**Mr. Gabriel Fontaine (Lévis):** Mr. Speaker, if it is the pleasure of the House, I move, seconded by the Hon. Member for Trois-Rivières (Mr. Vincent):

That the sixty-ninth report of the Striking Committee, tabled earlier in the House, be adopted.

**Mr. Speaker:** Does the Hon. Member have unanimous consent to move his motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Mr. Speaker:** Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

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### PETITIONS

#### PROTECTION OF RIGHTS OF THE UNBORN

**Mr. Gilles Bernier (Beauce):** Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to table, on behalf of 4,725 residents of Beauce, a petition that reads as follows:

"We the undersigned citizens of Canada demand that the federal government currently in power prepare, without delay, legislation that will provide full protection for the human fetus from conception to birth. We would also like legislative action to be taken as soon as possible."

I hereby table this protection containing 4,725 names.

[*English*]

#### IRRADIATION OF FOOD

**Mr. Elliott Hardey (Kent):** Mr. Speaker, it is my duty and privilege to present this petition, properly certified, from approximately 200 constituents of the riding of Kent. It is their wish that food irradiation not become part of food processing in Canada and that our children not become human guinea pigs in a process that may prove to be hazardous. Therefore, they petition that unbiased, independent agencies and scientists complete studies on the safety of consuming foods that have been irradiated and the effects of long-term consumption and environmental dangers involved and that in the event any food irradiation is allowed, it should be clearly labelled as treated with ionizing radiation.

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#### CANADA-U.S. FREE TRADE AGREEMENT

**Mr. Dan Heap (Spadina):** Mr. Speaker, it is my honour to present a petition, duly certified according to Standing Order 106, from a number of residents of Toronto. They point out that the Conservative Government, without a mandate from the Canadian people, undertook to negotiate a trade agreement that would weaken our national sovereignty, interfere with many of the programs we need to develop our country, and fails to obtain protection against American countervailing