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for scarce resources, benefits to Canada and to the recipient.

The committee also recommended that resources be allocated to program evaluation and that unused portions of grants be recovered.

The government has been requested to table a comprehensive response to this report within 150 days.

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

[Translation]

CANADA-EUROPE PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION

TABLING OF TWO REPORTS BY THE CANADIAN DELEGATION

Mr. Terry Clifford (London—Middlesex): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 34(1), I have the honour to table in the House, in both official languages, two reports of the Canada–Europe Parliamentary Association: the report of the Canadian Delegation to the Debate on the parliamentary dimensions of the CSCE organized by the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, and the report of the Canadian Delegation to the annual OECD Debate of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe. Those meetings were held in Strasbourg from September 26 to October 4, 1990.

• (1540)

[English]

Mr. Speaker, I draw to the attention of members of the House the parliamentary debate on security and co-operation in Europe because it is centred on the new Europe. I think that members should look at the report because it has dimensions for Canada's future involvement in the Europe that is forming, not only the 12 nations in the European family for economic reasons, but rather for reasons of security.

The debate centred upon the formation of a new body, the assembly of Europe. Members of this House should read with care and decide whether this House should become involved in the debate on the future of Europe and what Canada's role should be.

As I have said, all the countries in Europe unanimously wanted to model their new assembly of Europe on the Council of Europe's rules. Canada did not feel that this was the way to proceed. In fact, an assembly of Europe with responsibilities for the security of the new Europe

should be based on the rules that such an assembly of parliamentarians would like to bring into being.

I encourage members to read this report and come forward with suggestions as to whether this House should formally debate Canada's position in a new Europe because clearly it is starting to develop, and it should be done with care.

RACIAL TOLERANCE

DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION

Mrs. Shirley Maheu (Saint-Laurent—Cartierville): Mr. Speaker, I rise today to seek consent to propose a motion which will be put without debate or amendment. The motion would be seconded by the member for Vancouver East and reads as follows:

That this House rejects any attempt to use our country as a platform from which to disseminate knowingly misleading, inaccurate and false statements about the Holocaust and Nazi prosecution of the Jews and other people before and during the Second World War and that this House deplores utterly and categorically all those who wish to spread a message of racial discrimination and hatred on the basis of colour, religion, ethnicity or culture.

[Translation]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Is there consent regarding this motion put forward by the hon. member for Saint-Laurent—Cartierville?

[English]

Mr. Cooper: Mr. Speaker, I wish to indicate that the government is happy to support the motion.

Some hon. members: Hear, hear.

[Translation]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Thus, there is consent and the motion is adopted.

Motion agreed to.

PETITIONS

GOOD AND SERVICES TAX

Mr. Eugène Bellemare (Carleton—Gloucester): Mr. Speaker, I have the duty to table before the House a petition certified correct pursuant to Standing Order 36, stating that a tax on books, newspapers and magazines is positively regressive. These petitioners from my riding of Carleton—Gloucester and the Ottawa and Montreal area maintain that the uninhibited dissemination of the printed word is a cornerstone of our democracy, education, culture and leisure activities. They suggest that a