

*Government Orders*

Why are working people asked to subscribe to a notion called the national interest? I believe in the national interest, but when we ask the same thing of the corporate sector we are accused of being romantic. We are accused of not being with it. We are accused of not understanding that there are no borders any more.

Investors, capital and corporations move all around the world doing whatever they want. Anyone who wants to talk about the national interest, except when they are trying to morally intimidate working people into giving up their economic self-interests, are called romantic. Why is that? Why is there this double standard when it comes to working people? I do not understand it.

I think ordinary Canadians sense there is something fishy when they are always supposed to act in the national interest but the people who can play with interest rates and the money markets and who can look around the planet for cheaper labour markets or weaker environmental regulations or weaker labour laws, that is okay for them. They can seek their economic self-interests; that is just called finding a good investment climate. However, when working people want to do the same thing, shame on them. They are not taking the national interest into account.

I say, shame on this House for accepting that double standard.

**The Deputy Speaker:** Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

**An hon. member:** On division.

(Motion agreed to, bill read the third time and passed.)

**Mr. Peter Milliken (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons, Lib.):** Mr. Speaker, I believe you will find unanimous consent for the following motion:

That on Thursday, March 16, 1995, when proceedings pursuant to Standing Order 38 have been concluded, the motion to adjourn the House shall be deemed to have been withdrawn and the sitting shall be suspended until such time as the Chair may reconvene the sitting for the sole purpose of a royal assent;

That immediately upon return from the royal assent, the House shall be adjourned until the next sitting day, provided that if no royal assent has been held by 9 a.m. on Friday, March 17, 1995, the House shall be reconvened for the sole purpose of being adjourned until 10 a.m. on that day.

**The Deputy Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent to that, colleagues?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. members:** No.

**The Deputy Speaker:** There is not unanimous consent to the motion.

**Hon. Herb Gray (Leader of the Government in the House of Commons and Solicitor General of Canada, Lib.):** Mr. Speaker, I think a formal motion of adjournment is required pursuant to the order of the House earlier this day. Therefore, I move:

That this House do now adjourn.

**The Deputy Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent to that motion?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

(Motion agreed to.)

**The Deputy Speaker:** The House is adjourned.

(The House adjourned at 10.09 p.m.)