HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, May 21, 1987

The House met at 11 a.m.

Prayers

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

COMMUNICATIONS AND CULTURE

PRESENTATION OF GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE TO THIRD REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Hon. Flora MacDonald (Minister of Communications): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 99(2), I have the honour to present the Government's comprehensive response to the third report of the Standing Committee on Communications and Culture, in both official languages. That report was made on January 29, 1987, and was entitled: "Federal Policy Concerning Museums".

[Translation]

PETITIONS

GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

Mr. Doug Lewis (Parliamentary Secretary to Deputy Prime Minister and President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 106(8), I have the honour to table, in both official languages, the Government's response to petitions Nos. 332-1918, 332-2037, 332-2052, 332-2077 to 332-2081 inclusive, 332-2150, 332-2188, 332-2198, 332-2429, 332-2430 and 332-2436.

[English]

STRIKING COMMITTEE

PRESENTATION OF TWENTIETH REPORT OF STRIKING COMMITTEE

Mr. Doug Lewis (Parliamentary Secretary to Deputy Prime Minister and President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I

have the honour to present the twentieth report of the Striking Committee. If the House gives its consent, I intend to move concurrence in this report later this day.

PETITIONS

RIGHT TO LIFE OF THE UNBORN—PROTECTION OF CHARTER OF RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS

Mr. John Gormley (The Battlefords—Meadow Lake): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour and duty to present a petition to the House signed by a number of citizens of The Battlefords—Meadow Lake constituency. This is one of a series of petitions signed by individuals who protest the killing of thousands of unborn Canadians each year whose only crime is the crime of being unwanted.

The petitioners humbly pray and ask this Parliament to consider passage of M-37, which is the motion under the name of the Hon. Member for Grey—Simcoe (Mr. Mitges) which asks the Government to ensure the right to life of the unborn in Canada.

This petition does meet the requirements of Standing Order 106.

[Translation]

OPPOSITION TO CLOSING OF POST OFFICES IN SMALL MUNICIPALITIES

Mr. Clément M. Côté (Lac-Saint-Jean): Mr. Speaker, today I have a petition signed by a large number of residents in my riding who are opposed to the closing down of Post Offices in small municipalities.

[English]

REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT OF ARBITRATOR—SETTLEMENT WITH FRED TURNER

Mr. Dave Nickerson (Western Arctic): Mr. Speaker, I have a petition signed by 33 people from the City of Yellowknife, duly certified by the Clerk of Petitions, in respect of the Fred Turner and Turnair matter.

The petitioners seek the appointment of an independent arbitrator to adjudicate the case which Mr. Turner has with the Government of Canada and the Canadian Transport Commission.