ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

PETITIONS

GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

Hon. Doug Lewis (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada): Mr. Speaker, I wish to table, in both official languages, the Government's response to several petitions.

ORDER IN COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

TABLING OF APPOINTMENTS AND REFERENCE

Hon. Doug Lewis (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada): I also wish to table, in both official languages, a number of Order in Council appointments made by the Government. Under the provisions of Standing Order 110(1) these are deemed referred to the appropriate Standing Committees, a list of which is attached.

[Translation]

CANADA-EUROPE PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION

PRESENTATION OF OFFICIAL DELEGATION REPORT CONCERNING 17TH ANNUAL MEETING OF PARLIAMENTS' DELEGATIONS

Mr. Terry Clifford (London—Middlesex): Madam Speaker, I have the honour of tabling, in both official languages, the report of the official delegation of the Canada–Europe Parliamentary Association on the 17th annual meeting of Canadian and European parliamentary delegations held in Ottawa and London from May 1 to 5, 1989.

[English]

Madam Speaker, there were two issues that were highlighted in the report as a result of the meetings. I bring them to the attention of the House because last year the proposed ban by the Europeans on the import of furs was a very relevant issue in this House.

I want to report that this year we took the European delegation to Wiebequi, a northern Indian community near Hudson Bay, to show them how unfair such a ban

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would be on our native communities which are so dependent on fur trapping. This led to a far greater insight into the livelihood of the native peoples of the region and of Canada, and it led to a commitment by the chairman of the European committee to bring this enlightenment to the European Parliament this month in Brussels. Therefore we have that commitment. I believe that it is going to read well for all Members of this House that the Europeans are truly seeing how this effects our native people.

The most controversial issue was the Canada–EC fisheries dispute. Each side made its points, the Canadian delegation stressing the urgent need for conservation or there would be no fish to catch in the future.

On this issue, the two delegations concluded a joint resolution urging their respective authorities to find a solution as quickly as possible. I might say that part of that resolution was ensuring that a discussion of the issue of the fisheries should be given the necessary high priority at the forthcoming EC-Canada ministerial meeting. I want to report obviously that it did get that priority. The Ministers of our country and the European countries did bring this issue to a head. We urge further consultation for the resolution of this problem.

[Translation]

SCRUTINY OF REGULATIONS

PRESENTATION OF FIRST AND SECOND REPORTS

Mr. Tom Wappel (Scarborough West): Madam Speaker, I have the honour of tabling, in both official languages, the first and second reports of the Standing Joint Committee for the Scrutiny of Regulations.

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

ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES READJUSTMENT ACT

MEASURE TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF RESTIGOUCHE

Mr. Guy H. Arsenault (Restigouche) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-252, an Act to change the name of the electoral district of Restigouche.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): Shall the Hon. Member ç220zhave leave to introduce the Bill?