

## THE SENATE

Tuesday, September 17, 1985

The Senate met at 2 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers.

### GENTLEMAN USHER OF THE BLACK ROD

APPOINTMENT OF RENÉ M. JALBERT, ESQUIRE

**The Hon. the Speaker:** Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform the Senate that I have received a certified copy of Order in Council, P. C. 1985-2124, appointing Mr. René M. Jalbert, CV, CD, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, effective July 10, 1985.

**Hon. Senators:** Hear, hear.

**Hon. C. William Doody (Acting Leader of the Government):** Honourable senators, I wish to take a moment of the Senate's time to welcome the new Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to our chamber, to congratulate him on his distinguished career to date both in the military and in the field of protocol in his native province, and on his spectacular and worthwhile years of service in the Quebec National Assembly.

The honourable gentleman is welcome here indeed. I congratulate him on his past service and I look forward to seeing him with us for many years to come. I wish him all the very best—and that includes a good deal of patience as he suffers through our somewhat laborious debates from time to time.

Thank you for joining us.

[Translation]

**Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Opposition):** Honourable senators, we also wish to offer our congratulations. However, I wonder who is actually to be congratulated, and I think the Senate of Canada deserves to be congratulated on the truly felicitous appointment of the gentleman introduced here today as our Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod. We wish to offer him a most cordial welcome and our best wishes for a long and satisfying career in our midst.

[English]

### DISTINGUISHED VISITORS IN GALLERY

DELEGATION FROM PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

**The Hon. the Speaker:** Honourable senators, I wish to draw your attention to the presence in our gallery of a delegation from the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China, led by His Excellency Mr. Wang Renzhong.

**Hon. Senators:** Hear, hear.

### CROWN CORPORATIONS DISSOLUTION AUTHORIZATION BILL

FIRST READING

**The Hon. the Speaker** informed the Senate that a message had been received from the House of Commons with Bill C-60, to authorize procurement of the dissolution of certain Crown corporations and to amend or repeal other Acts in consequence thereof.

Bill read first time.

**The Hon. the Speaker:** Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the second time?

On motion of Senator Doody, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 44(1)(f), bill placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting of the Senate.

### CANADIAN INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY ACT

BILL TO AMEND—FIRST READING

**The Hon. the Speaker** informed the Senate that a message had been received from the House of Commons with Bill C-69, to amend the Canadian Institute for International Peace and Security Act and certain other Acts in relation thereto.

Bill read first time.

**The Hon. the Speaker:** Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the second time?

On motion of Senator Doody, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 44(1)(f), bill placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting of the Senate.

### DOCUMENTS TABLED

**Hon. C. William Doody (Acting Leader of the Government):** Honourable senators, I have before me a rather formidable list of documents to table. It includes reports required by the Access to Information Act and the Privacy Act for the period ended March 31, 1985, pursuant to section 72(2) of the acts, chapter 111, Statutes of Canada, 1980, 1981, 1982 and 1983. There are 57 such reports. As well, I have six or seven pages of reports and notices which must be tabled. With the concurrence of the Senate, I would like to table them and ask that they be appended to the *Minutes of the Proceedings* for this day. Honourable senators could then look through the list and if there were any about which they would like information or on which they would wish to ask questions, I would be only too happy to try to reply at a later date.