

Routine Proceedings

• (1130)

REVISION OF EXTRADITION LAWS

Mr. Bob Horner (Mississauga West): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36, I have the honour to present petitions which have been certified by the clerk.

The hon. member for Peterborough mentioned that there have been 72,431 names. Here are 4,318 more signatures which call on the Government of Canada to revise the extradition laws which would allow the Minister of Justice to order the extradition of fugitives either immediately or after they have been dealt with fully by the Canadian penal system.

I have the honour to present this petition.

OPPOSITION TO GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

[Translation]

Mr. Jean-Robert Gauthier (Ottawa—Vanier): Mr. Speaker, it is my duty to present a petition on behalf of a number of residents in the riding of Ottawa—Vanier, who humbly pray and call upon Parliament to reject the proposed goods and services tax.

The Conservative Government wants to force a new and universal 9 per cent tax on goods and services on Canadians. The tax will be hidden in the sale price. It will not be fair to consumers and will put small businesses to considerable expense.

Mr. Speaker, petitioners strongly object to the proposed goods and services tax which they feel constitutes an unprecedented attack on the incomes of Canadians and would not only raise the level of taxation but also subject Canadians to higher inflation, higher interest rates and a very high unemployment rate.

[English]

Mr. John Harvard (Winnipeg St. James): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36 I, too, have a petition. I am happy to present it on behalf of a number of Canadians who are concerned about the proposed goods and services tax and who call upon Parliament to reject the tax.

I also have a second petition duly certified by the clerk, and this petition, too, is signed by a number of Canadians who want no part of the tax. They feel that it will cause

higher inflation, higher interest rates and higher unemployment.

Ms. Beth Phinney (Hamilton Mountain): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour and privilege to present a petition signed by the residents of Hamilton Mountain.

The petitioners have spoken out overwhelmingly against the Conservative government's proposed 9 per cent goods and services tax. The petitioners humbly pray and call upon the House to reject the Conservative government's 9 per cent goods and services tax proposal.

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Mr. Scott Thorkelson (Edmonton—Strathcona): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present petitions which have been certified by the clerk, pursuant to Standing Order 36.

This petition, which contains 5,088 signatures, calls upon the Government of Canada to revise the extradition laws. This would allow the Minister of Justice to order the extradition of fugitives either immediately or after they have been dealt with fully by the Canadian penal system.

This brings to over 80,000 the number of petitioners' names that have been presented in the House of Commons calling upon the government to do this.

VIA RAIL PASSENGER SERVICE

Mr. Iain Angus (Thunder Bay—Atikokan): Mr. Speaker, I have a petition signed by 40 residents primarily of Victoria and Vancouver which has been certified by the clerk of petitions.

The petitioners point to the value of VIA Rail and the importance of not only maintaining, but increasing the service and the operation. They call upon Parliament to maintain the existing VIA network, upgrade the equipment and guarantee VIA sufficient support to carry out its mandate to provide passenger service.

I also have petitions bearing 5,000 names that have been forwarded to me by Canadians from across the country. Unfortunately they are not in a form that allows us to table them here so I will be passing them over to the Prime Minister to let him know how the people of Canada feel about his policies.