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unwittingly breaching the Criminal Code and are parties to criminal offences.

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[Translation]

YOUTH

INTERNATIONAL PROMOTION OF "JUST SAY NO" ANTI-DRUG CAMPAIGN

Mr. Michel Champagne (Champlain): Mr. Speaker, I should like to draw to the attention of the House a significant event which concerns us all regardless of age, province or political Party.

A large group of young Canadians accompanied by the Polgar sisters of Hungary, the world chess champions, are working on the international promotion of the "Just say no" anti-drug campaign.

This initiative does me proud, for it shows once again that young Canadians are very dynamic and take constructive measures to ensure the kind of challenging future which will fulfil their aspirations.

In conclusion, Mr. Speaker, I want to offer them my full support because these young people are striving to restore peace in the world, an endeavour at which our elders have failed in many cases.

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[English]

SHIPBUILDING

CITY OF VANCOUVER'S RESOLUTION

Mr. Dave Dingwall (Cape Breton—East Richmond): Mr. Speaker, in January the Canadian Shipbuilding and Ship Repairing Association said the following:

The outlook for Canada's shipbuilding and allied industries during 1986 will remain dismal without immediate government policy action.

The City of Vancouver has passed a resolution which reads as follows:

WHEREAS Canada's sovereignty over its Arctic territories has been challenged;

AND WHEREAS this challenge can only be met if Canada asserts its sovereignty through meaningful development of the Canadian North and the construction of appropriate ships with icebreaking capability;

AND WHEREAS the West Coast shipbuilding industry has developed a highly competitive ability to build such ships;

AND WHEREAS the continuation and well-being of the shipbuilding industry in North Vancouver is of enormous economic importance not only to North Vancouver but to the whole region;

AND WHEREAS the Conservative Government promised a meaningful job creation program in the West;

AND WHEREAS the North Vancouver shipbuilding industry now faces virtual extinction with disastrous economic consequence unless immediate action is taken—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Sixty seconds.

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ENERGY

EFFECT OF FALLING OIL PRICES ON SMALL COMPANIES

Mr. Ian Waddell (Vancouver—Kingsway): Mr. Speaker, Canada has a problem in Alberta. Alberta faces the bleak prospect of losing jobs, money, and people as a result of the dramatic fall in the price of crude oil. For example, as many as 15,000 jobs on drilling rigs may be lost by the end of this year.

David Hatter, a respected writer, said in *The Financial Post*:

Then "Americanization" of the Canadian oil industry is under way again, with major U.S. firms bidding for the remains of Canadian-owned companies that have been mortally wounded by collapsing world oil prices.

I would like to offer the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources (Miss Carney) the co-operation of the New Democratic Party. We will consider any legislation she wishes to introduce to help small Canadian oil companies, even that to get rid of the PGRT, although I do not think that is the answer. I think a floor price is a better answer. However, we have an open mind. If the Minister introduces legislation to give fair help to the Canadian oil industry, she will have the support of the New Democratic Party.

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CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

POSSIBLE CLOSURE OF STATIONS IN GASPÉ REGION

Mr. Jean-Luc Joncas (Matapédia—Matane): Like my colleagues from the Gaspé Peninsula, Mr. Speaker, I would caution the management of Radio-Canada against laying too much emphasis on the ridiculous and altogether indecent suggestion to close down or transfer eastern station facilities in the more or less distant future. This suggestion constitutes a backward step, not to mention that it is an insult to the population involved. Incidentally, 10,000 Gaspé Peninsula residents have signed a petition to express their deep concern and determination concerning that issue.

Mr. Speaker, I am aware that this is a time for restraints and cut-backs, but it would be unacceptable and shameful if communities which are already quite underprivileged were to be the victims. Among others, Matane's station has been promoting regional interests for a number of years and the public has had nothing but praise for its commendable efforts.