

# HOUSE OF COMMONS

Tuesday, February 11, 1992

The House met at 10 a.m.

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*Prayers*

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## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[*English*]

### GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO PETITIONS

**Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State and Leader of the Government in the House of Commons):** Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36(8) I have the honour to table, in both official languages, the government's response to several petitions.

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[*Translation*]

### INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FRENCH-SPEAKING PARLIAMENTARIANS

#### TABLING OF REPORT ON DRAFT EARTH CHARTER

**Mr. Yvon Côté (Richmond—Wolfe):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a report on behalf of the International Association of French-Speaking Parliamentarians. I was the delegate of its Committee on the Environment assigned last December to participate in drafting an earth charter proposal to be submitted at various levels including the Rio summit.

Therefore, I have the pleasure to present to the House, in both official languages, the report on this proposed earth charter.

[*English*]

### QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

**Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State and Leader of the Government in the House of Commons):** Mr. Speaker, I ask that all questions be allowed to stand.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois):** Shall all questions stand?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

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## GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[*Translation*]

### PUBLIC SERVICE REFORM ACT

#### MEASURE TO ENACT

The House resumed consideration of the motion of Mr. Loiselle that Bill C-26, an act to amend the Public Service Employment Act, the Public Service Staff Relations Act and other acts in relation to the Public Service of Canada, be read the second time and referred to Legislative Committee H; and the amendment of Mrs. Catterall (p. 6131).

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois):** I want to point out to hon. members that there is a mistake in the Projected Order of Business. It indicates that there would be only 15 minutes remaining out of the five-hour period allocated. On checking we find that there are in fact 66 minutes left or, if you prefer, one hour and six minutes.

[*English*]

**Mr. David D. Stupich (Nanaimo—Cowichan):** Mr. Speaker, Bill C-26 will change the federal labour legislation and will affect most employees. It has been in effect for almost 25 years without any significant change and