Petitions

With regard to today, tomorrow and next week, it is my intention to call the following Bills in this order: Bill C-24, an Act to amend the Oil Substitution and Conservation Act and the Canadian Home Insulation Program Act; Bill C-27, an Act to amend certain Acts having regard to the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms; Bill C-25, an Act to amend the Agricultural Stablization Act; and Bill C-19, an Act respecting the reorganization of Bell Canada. It is also possible, Mr. Speaker, that pursuant to the agreement reached on the floor of the House with respect to debate on Bill C-32, and depending upon the deliberations of the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Forestry, I could move the resumption of debate on Bill C-32, an Act to amend the Fisheries Act.

Therefore, I will continue to monitor the progress being made with respect to legislation. If changes are to be made in the order of business that I have just announced, I will give the House the earliest possible notice of that.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[Translation]

EDUCATION

TABLING OF DOCUMENT ENTITLED "GIVING GREATER POINT AND PURPOSE TO THE FEDERAL FINANCING OF POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION AND RESEARCH IN CANADA"

Hon. Walter McLean (Secretary of State): Mr. Speaker, under Standing Order 46(2), I am pleased to table, in both official languages, a paper entitled: "Giving Greater Point and Purpose to the Federal Financing of Post-Secondary Education and Research in Canada."

PETITIONS

FISCAL ADVANTAGES TAKEN FROM CORPORATIONS

Mr. Louis Plamondon (Richelieu): Mr. Speaker, to the Honourable House of Commons in Parliament assembled, I have the honour to present on behalf of some Canadian citizens a petition dealing with the power of Parliament to use fiscal advantages taken away from corporations and reinvest them in the interests of all Canadians.

FIXING OF COMPETITIVE GASOLINE PRICES

Mr. Vincent Della Noce (Duvernay): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition signed by 59 gas retailers from border municipalities in the constituency of Brome-Missisquoi. The petition is signed by gas retailers operating near the U.S. border who are humbly asking Parliament to instruct the

Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs (Mr. Côté) to set a competitive price for gas in their area in order to uphold the right to free competition.

I urge the government to accept that request and take action.

[English]

INCOME TAX CONVENTIONS ACT

MEASURE TO ENACT

Hon. Ray Hnatyshyn (President of the Privy Council) moved that Bill S-3 (from the Senate), an Act to implement conventions between Canada and the Republic of Zambia, Canada and the Kingdom of Thailand, Canada and the Republic of Cyprus and Canada and the Federative Republic of Brazil for the avoidance of double taxation with respect to income tax, be read the first time.

Motion agreed to and Bill read the first time.

MOTIONS TO ADJOURN UNDER S.O. 30

Mr. Speaker: I have received two notices of motions under Standing Order 30 and I propose to hear them in the order in which they were received. The Hon. Member for Saint-Maurice (Mr. Chrétien).

[Translation]

NORTH AMERICAN AIR DEFENCE AGREEMENT

Hon. Jean Chrétien (Saint-Maurice): Pursuant to Standing Order 30, Mr. Speaker, I wish to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of dealing with an important matter requiring urgent consideration, namely, the signing four days from now of an agreement between Canada and the United States concerning a warning system in the North.

[English]

Mr. Speaker, in light of the debate in the House, I think it is very very important that we debate this situation. Today the Minister of National Defence (Mr. Nielsen) said he was going to come to the committee. Afte that he said he was not going to come to the committee. Everyone in the nation is confused. The press is asking for a real debate before the agreement is signed. That is why a debate is urgent; there will be no other occasion since the deal will be concluded this Sunday.

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

• (1510)

[Translation]

Mr. Speaker: I have been given advance notice by the Hon. Member for Saint-Maurice of his intention to move the