

Kamloops, British Columbia; Barrie, Ontario; Huntsford, British Columbia; Oak Bay, British Columbia; Delta, British Columbia and Edmonton, Alberta.

**Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River):** Mr. Speaker, I have a petition to present signed by 287 Canadians, many of whom live in Banff where the people are angry with the Government over the destruction of a beautiful park in order to accommodate an ex-Liberal Cabinet Minister who built a hotel there and sold it for a sizeable amount of money. Many of these people are also very angry because the Government has extracted—

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Would the Hon. Member please state his petition.

**Mr. Taylor:** Does the Government not want to know why the people are angry?

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** The Hon. Member is an experienced Parliamentarian. Will he please state his petition?

**Mr. Taylor:** I would be very happy to present it on behalf of the people of Banff, Canmore, and even a chap from Halifax; there are also signatures from Exshaw and Ottawa. They are all angry with the Government and ask that a general election be called because of many reasons we do not have time to outline now. They avail themselves of their ancient and undoubted right thus to present a grievance common to the petitioners in the certain assurance that your honourable House will therefor provide a remedy. Your petitioners humbly pray and call upon Parliament to insist on a general election being called now. And, as in duty bound, your petitioners will ever pray.

[Translation]

MR. WADDELL—RETENTION OF CROWSNEST PASS RATES

**Mr. Ian Waddell (Vancouver-Kingsway):** Mr. Speaker, the petition of the undersigned residents of Canada who now exercise their ancient and undisputed right to present a grievance with the full assurance that the House will remedy it.

Humbly sheweth that—

[English]

—Since my mother is in the gallery and does not understand French, perhaps I could read it in English. They humbly sheweth that the Crow rate is an important benefit to western Canada, where she is from, and one of the earliest incentives granted to settlers. The changing of the Crow rate will reduce farm incomes, contribute to the breaking up of communities on branch lines and increase trucking and road costs. The petition is from Saskatchewan. It is signed by a number of petitioners from the great Province of Saskatchewan who humbly pray that their petition will be accepted.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** It being 6 p.m., I do now leave the chair until 8 p.m., at which time the House will proceed to the

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question of the invasion of Grenada, pursuant to Standing Order 30.

At 6 p.m., the House took recess.

#### AFTER RECESS

The House resumed at 8 p.m.

### MOTION TO ADJOURN UNDER S.O. 30

[English]

#### EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

##### GRENADA—INVASION BY MULTINATIONAL FORCE

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Corbin):** Leave has been granted to the Hon. Member for Oshawa (Mr. Broadbent) to move the adjournment of the House pursuant to Standing Order 30 for the purpose of discussing a specific and important matter requiring urgent consideration, namely, the invasion of Grenada by a multinational force led by the United States.

**Hon. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa)** moved:

That this House do now adjourn.

He said: Mr. Speaker, the invasion of Grenada which took place not many days ago is an act which should be condemned by every person in all lands representing all ideologies who believe that negotiations, not violence, should be what conducts the affairs of mankind as they are organized in states, and who believe that no state has the right to impose its particular system of government upon any other. That is what this debate is about. I will come back to that point in a moment. Before I do so, I want to say what the debate is not about and to clarify a few matters.

The debate is not about whether one liked or disliked the Government of the former Prime Minister of Grenada, Mr. Bishop, a man who was brutally murdered. Whether one agreed or disagreed with his form of Government, or with what he was doing according to his principles in his land for his people, is not, I repeat, what this debate is about. It is not approval or disapproval of him.

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Nor is this about the brutal act of murder that not only took Mr. Bishop's life but that of many members of his cabinet as well as two or more trade union leaders. That kind of brutality, however unacceptable it is—as surely it is among all civilized people—is not what we are debating tonight.

Nor, third and most important, is the debate about the violence that Grenada as a state was involved in vis-à-vis other states. No one involved in the invasion of Grenada that I am aware of has suggested that the State of Grenada itself was embarked upon any form of aggression against any of its neighbours.