

income to take on the burden which would otherwise have been placed on them?

Right Hon. Brian Mulroney (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, there will be no change in the documents filed by my hon. friend.

Some Hon. Members: Shame!

Mr. Mulroney: Before you are overcome with your own maudlin sense of self-importance—not the NDP House Leader, the people behind him—and before you expire on the spot, we, conscious of this, have given an indication in the budgetary documents that we would do precisely that, that we would monitor it very carefully.

However, we also indicated—and I know my hon. friend would agree with this—that the only way it could be done, in that borrowed money and printed money do not work any more, is through job creation and long-term, equitable sharing of new wealth. And 271,000 new jobs represent new wealth, new prosperity, and new hope for all Canadians.

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NATIONAL PARKS

MINING AND FORESTRY PROJECTS—MINISTER'S POSITION

Hon. Chas. L. Caccia (Davenport): Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the Minister of the Environment I will direct my question to anyone among that uninspired lot of Ministers. The Minister of the Environment has made the front page of at least one national paper and was quoted as saying: "I don't have to think the national parks are sacred". She went on to say that she would not rule out mining and forestry in national parks. My question is a simple one. Is this an expression of her own opinion or an expression of the consensus of Cabinet and of the Prime Minister, in a year in which Canadians are celebrating the centennial of Parks Canada?

Right Hon. Brian Mulroney (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I should say that I am getting a little dismayed at coming to the House of Commons and constantly finding the Leader of the Opposition and the Leader of the NDP absent.

An Hon. Member: Where are they?

Mr. Mulroney: I think they are off at an engagement party in Queen's Park.

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

[Translation]

Mr. Rossi: TV cameras are the only attraction keeping you here this morning!

Mr. Mulroney: Liberals out of office, now that really hurts!
[English]

I can tell my hon. friend that I understand the Minister indeed was misquoted, because her view is that of ours, that

the parks are very much part of our national heritage and will always remain so.

Oral Questions

WILDLIFE TOXIC FUND—NORANDA MINES CONTRIBUTION

Hon. Chas. L. Caccia (Davenport): Mr. Speaker, I am glad to hear that the Minister was misquoted. However, I wonder whether, by accepting from Noranda Mines a contribution of \$50,000 to the wildlife toxic fund announced by her a few days ago, she has opened the door to a possible conflict of interest in our national parks.

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Right Hon. Brian Mulroney (Prime Minister): I will take a look at it, Mr. Speaker, but I will have to check the record to see what Noranda Mines contributed to the Liberal Party. If he wants to carry it to that extreme, I think it will wind up in a little fit of lunacy. I think we have to be reasonable and thoughtful in our approaches here, and I think that is what we have tried to be.

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HEALTH

MEDICAL USE OF HEROIN

Hon. James A. McGrath (St. John's East): Mr. Speaker, can the Minister of National Health and Welfare tell the House if he has reached agreement with the provinces and law enforcement agencies with respect to a protocol for the medical use of heroin in Canada?

Hon. Jake Epp (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, I thank the Hon. Member for his question. As all Hon. Members know, he has been the foremost spokesman on this important issue in the House. I would say the protocol is coming to conclusion. We expect it to be concluded by the end of this month. The sourcing will come from the United Kingdom. According to that source, we understand it could be available at the beginning of October, 1985.

As the Hon. Member also knows, heroin has to be put on each provincial pharmacological calendar. I have discussed that matter with the provinces and I think it is well in hand.

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CLERK OF PETITIONS' REPORT

Mr. Speaker: I have the honour to inform the House that the petitions presented by Hon. Members on Thursday, June 6, 1985, meet the requirements of the Standing Orders as to form.