Some Hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. Isabelle: Mr. Speaker, the purpose of this public Bill which concerns the district of Hull is to add the name of Aylmer after the present name.

The new federal riding of Hull has regrouped the constituents of just two towns, Hull and Aylmer. It would therefore be logical and reasonable to identify the district in which these constituents are located in such way that the name reflects their location, namely, as the district of Hull-Aylmer.

Mr. Speaker, that is the gist of my presentation on this Bill.

Motion agreed to, Bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

[English]

Mr. Deputy Speaker: May I have leave to dispense with the reading of the motions?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. Douglas Fisher (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 4,931 and 4,981.

[Text]

ABORIGINAL RIGHT TO FREEDOM OF TRADE

Question No. 4,931—Mr. Anguish:

Is the Department of National Revenue taking any steps to ensure that Canadian Indians can enjoy freedom of trade with their American counterparts across the border, which is a basic aboriginal right guaranteed in the new Canadian Constitution?

Hon. Pierre Bussières (Minister of National Revenue): The Department of National Revenue, Customs and Excise is responsible for the day-to-day administration of various legislative provisions which regulate the movement of persons and goods into and out of Canada. In the case of goods, the Customs Tariff Act, Excise Act and Excise Tax Act provide the statutory basis under which rates of duty and other taxes are established and assessed. The provisions of these acts fall under the purview of the Department of Finance, while the administration of them remains a Customs responsibility.

There are no special or unique provisions in Customs legislation which apply specifically to North American Indians. However, in response to representations from Indian groups, Customs is currently participating in discussions with Finance regarding the possibility of introducing new tariff provisions dealing with personal exemptions for Indians returning to Canada and the importation of Indian handicrafts.

For several years now, Customs has been addressing Indian concerns on an ongoing basis through departmental represen-

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tation at Indian conferences and meetings, task force participation, and by special training programs for Customs personnel.

CMHC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Question No. 4,981-Mr. Orlikow:

- 1. What is the composition of the Board of Directors of the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and what is the address and occupation of each individual?
- 2. What is the compensation and what are all the benefits paid to the chairperson, directors, president and vice-presidents of the Corporation?

Hon. Roméo LeBlanc (Minister of Public Works): I am informed by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation as follows:

- 1. Current members of the CMHC Board of Directors, including occupations and business addresses are shown on the list below.
- 2. Up to June 30, 1983, directors will be paid \$159 per day while attending Board meetings; as of July 1, 1983, the fee will be \$166. Salaries for the Acting President and Vice-Presidents of CMHC range from \$55,978 to \$88,610.

In addition to regular CMHC benefits for which the Corporation's share is valued at \$8,800 to \$10,000 per individual, the Acting President and Vice-Presidents are eligible for the following: a leased car, considered a taxable benefit to the employee under the Income Tax Act, is provided on request; business club memberships paid by the Corporation on request (five official are in receipt of these benefits for a total of \$4,495 in 1983); one Vice-President was offered a preferential rate second mortgage as temporary financing when he relocated to Ottawa; and senior officials who are employees of CMHC can voluntarily participate in a deferred compensation plan. This is more of a service than a benefit per se since the Corporation does not contribute to this plan, and except for a minimal amount of bookkeeping, no costs are incurred.

Members of the Board of Directors

Appointee

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