

The minister has still not done what he said he would, to institute a system of bonds for sponsors to cover these costs. Since the province of Ontario has been able to identify those who are abusing the system will the minister now enforce the sponsorship contracts?

**Hon. Sergio Marchi (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, Lib.):** Mr. Speaker, it is the member who is misinformed. The action is certainly under way.

We said very clearly we wanted to bring under control the roughly 14 per cent of family class sponsorships that do fail, keeping in mind the overwhelming majority of immigrants who come here on family sponsorships play by the rules.

It was discussed at the committee. I hope he will consult with the immigration critic and get caught up.

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[Translation]

#### RWANDA

**Mr. Réjean Lefebvre (Champlain, BQ):** Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

The Rwandan army has committed a real carnage on Saturday when it opened fire with automatic weapons and grenades at the Kibeho refugee camp. According to several sources, the army killed several thousand Hutu refugees.

Could the Minister of Foreign Affairs tell us whether his government made representations to the Rwandan authorities asking for an end to this kind of behaviour, in Kibeho and elsewhere?

**Hon. André Ouellet (Minister of Foreign Affairs, Lib.):** Mr. Speaker, the Canadian government condemned in the most vigorous way the massacre just described by the hon. member. We immediately asked Ambassador Dusseault to go to the camp, inquire and report as quickly as possible.

**Mr. Réjean Lefebvre (Champlain, BQ):** Mr. Speaker, are the incidents which happened at the Kibeho refugee camp likely to lead the government to reconsider its help and support to the new government of Rwanda, considering also the numerous rumours that circulate as to the diversion of Canadian help by Rwandan authorities?

**Hon. André Ouellet (Minister of Foreign Affairs, Lib.):** Mr. Speaker, it is obvious that this ruthless behaviour on the part of the army puts in jeopardy all the efforts made over the last few weeks to bring about reconciliation between the various groups and factions.

Clearly, we will have to review our position at this time, because we thought that the good faith and the efforts of the government over the last few weeks seemed promising. We are waiting impatiently for the report of Ambassador Dusseault and

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we will act according to the recommendations he will make. I will keep in mind the suggestions of the hon. member.

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[English]

#### INFRASTRUCTURE

**Mr. Randy White (Fraser Valley West, Ref.):** Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Public Works and Government Services.

I understand the minister of public works consulted with the Minister of Transport about transferring \$26 million from the federal strategic highway improvement program allotted for the bypass at Wentworth Valley in Nova Scotia. It is well known as being one of the most dangerous stretches of road in the country.

Where were the funds transferred? To the minister's own riding of Cape Breton, of course, for the construction of a tourist road. How can the minister justify such a blatant conflict of interest to Canadians?

**Hon. Douglas Young (Minister of Transport, Lib.):** Mr. Speaker, I am sure the hon. member recognizes the allocation of funds for highway construction, even though in part it may come from the federal government, is a provincial responsibility.

I want to assure my hon. colleague the negotiations with the province of Nova Scotia, as is the case with many other provinces across the country, are ongoing and there are reallocations which take place from time to time. However, whatever reallocations are made are always on the basis of those negotiations with the provinces, which are ultimately responsible for not only the spending of the money but also for the route selection.

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**Mr. Randy White (Fraser Valley West, Ref.):** Mr. Speaker, the fleur-de-lis trail, which the minister is sort of talking about, does not come under this funding program. The agreement was changed by the minister of public works and the Minister of Transport. The auditor general of Nova Scotia is saying they cannot justify the change that was made.

How can the minister sacrifice the safety of Canadians for the tourist trade in Cape Breton?

**Hon. Douglas Young (Minister of Transport, Lib.):** Mr. Speaker, it is usual to answer a question asked by a member who knows better.

The reallocation of funds under this agreement and any other agreement comes as a result of requests from provincial governments. It does not just occur in Nova Scotia; it occurs on a regular basis. The extent to which provinces exercise their jurisdiction for spending money on highways and determining where those highways should go is something the hon. member should know.