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notion which transcends this adversarial collective securities which we have had since the Second World War.

I ask the Minister to have the intellectual honesty not to co-opt language in the way he has done in this statement and not to use the notion of common security when what he really means is collective security. At least my Liberal friend was more honest in that respect. He spoke of collective securities.

The Minister refers to the INF agreement on intermediate nuclear forces and admits that this was done by the superpowers in the text of his own statement. That is precisely the point. What progress has been made in arms control has been made between the superpowers with NATO being a spectator, with NATO being simply a kind of a lobby for arms build-up rather than arms control and the superpowers from time to time coming to their senses, and we hope that they will come to their senses more often. To suggest that this has been the result of NATO, I think, is at least debatable.

The fact is that with respect to NATO, Canada has been and continues to be far too much a spectator to world events. I have gone to NATO parliamentary meetings. I do not know how many times I have heard NATO referred to as an alliance between Europe and the United States with hardly any recognition that Canada belongs to the alliance at all. It is no surprise because Canada chooses, as this Government does, to be a spectator to the debates that are going on in NATO.

One of those debates going on right now is the debate about modernization of nuclear weapons. Have we heard a peep out of this Government pro or con with respect to that debate that is very lively right now in Europe with people contending with each other about the pros and cons of modernization of nuclear weapons? Instead, we will wait until the decision is made somewhere else. Then Canada will blithely trail along.

That is part of the problem. The Minister says he wants Canada to play a leading role. Well, play a leading role. We are in NATO, do something about it, use it to advance the things that you say you want to advance and perhaps you would be better off in the eyes of many Canadians.

The notion of NATO and the Warsaw Pact, I think all of us hope, is a notion that belongs more to history than

to the future. We hope that events in the Soviet Union and events in the West are leading to a time when the disengagement of NATO and the Warsaw Pact, when the elimination of this Manichaean world of two alliances contending with each other for the possible destruction of the world, will be a thing of the past.

Canada does have a role to play. It is a role this Government is not playing. If it should choose to live up to that role, it would receive much better comment from this corner of the House.

**Some Hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

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**BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE**

**Hon. Doug Lewis (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada):** Mr. Speaker, there have been discussions among the parties and I think you would find that there would be unanimous consent to the putting of the motion I am about to read and voting immediately. Mr. Speaker, I would move:

That supply proceedings for the 1989 calendar year be subject to the following provisions:

That, when the House reaches Orders of the Day on Thursday, May 4, the House shall debate an Opposition motion, notice of which shall have been given the previous day, and no later than 5:45 o'clock p.m. on May 4, the Speaker shall interrupt debate and put, forthwith and successively, without amendment or debate, every question necessary to dispose of the said motion; and then the Speaker shall put forthwith, and successively, without amendment or debate, every question that may be necessary to dispose of any motion relating to interim supply and for the passing at all stages of the bill based thereon, following which the Speaker shall adjourn the House; and

That notwithstanding the relevant provision of Standing Order 81,

A) There be 12 days allotted to the Opposition before Friday, June 16, for debate on Opposition motions, 6 of such motions to be votable, and a further 13 allotted days in the period following Labour Day and ending on December 10, 1989 (4 in September, 4 in October, 3 in November and 2 in December) with 6 of these allotted days for debate of votable Opposition motions;

B) Main Estimates for 1989-90 may be tabled and referred to the appropriate committees on any day but no later than Monday, May 1;

C) Each committee to which such Main Estimates have been referred shall report them, or shall be deemed to have reported them, no later than Wednesday, September 27;

D) (a) Not later than the third sitting day prior to September 27, the Leader of the Opposition may give notice during the time specified in Standing Order 54 of a motion to extend consideration of the Main Estimates of a named department or agency and the said motion shall be deemed adopted when called on "Motions" on September 26;