## Petitions

is done, I am sure we can have a speedy decision on the actual Act.

Mr. Pinard: Madam Speaker, we will consider tabling that Bill very soon in light of the first reaction, which seems to be positive. It was not by inadvertence that I referred to this discussion since the question was asked of me by a Member of the Hon. Member's caucus. I took it for granted that they had talked together and that I was free to refer to the discussion. Otherwise, I would not have expected a question to be asked by one of his colleagues on this matter.

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

## **PETITIONS**

MR. SKELLY—ABSENTEE BALLOTING SYSTEM

Mr. Ray Skelly (Comox-Powell River): Madam Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition from a large number of women in Delta who form an auxiliary to the fishermens' association that the Government of Canada and the Chief Electoral Officer place within the Canada Elections Act an absentee balloting procedure so that people are not disenfranchised during the federal election voting period.

MR. ANGUISH—RETENTION OF CROWSNEST PASS RATES

Mr. Doug Anguish (The Battlefords-Meadow Lake): Madam Speaker, I have the duty and honour to present a petition this afternoon from people mostly in the Province of Alberta who have asked me to present it to the Honourable the House of Commons in Ottawa in Parliament assembled.

The petition of the undersigned residents of the Province of Alberta who now exercise the right to present a grievance humbly sheweth that the removal of the Crow rate will see its replacement by rates that will impose higher freight costs of five times the present Crow rate and higher by 1990. Such increases are being imposed at a time when prices for producers' grain are now at 1974 levels and detailed calculations show that a rate of 5.1 times the Crow rate would cost the community of St. Paul, Alberta some \$1,197,200 per year by 1990 in payments for grain freight that would otherwise have stayed in that community based on the actual deliveries in the 1980-81 crop year.

Wherefore, the undersigned, your petitioners, humbly pray and call upon Parliament to maintain the Crow rate in perpetuity as presently guaranteed by statute, and as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.

[Translation]

MR. HEAP—REQUEST FOR LANDED IMMIGRANT STATUS FOR MRS. ROSELINE VINCENT

Mr. Dan Heap (Spadina): Madam Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition from residents of Hull who humbly declare that 28-year-old Haitian Roseline Vincent entered Canada in 1977, that shortly after she filed a request for permanent resident status with the Department of Employment and Immigration, which has yet to reply, that this women is now being threatened with deportation, that her return to Haiti would be to her prejudice.

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray and call upon the Parliament of Canada to grant her the status of landed immigrant.

In duty bound, your petitioners will ever pray.

[English]

MR. RIIS-PORNOGRAPHIC FILMS ON PAY TV

Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops-Shuswap): Madam Speaker, it is my privilege to present a petition on behalf of a number of individuals in the Kamloops-Shuswap constituency concerned about the First Choice Pay Television pornography showing. They encourage the House of Commons to consider a Bill that would add the word "sex" to Section 3 of the Broadcasting Act in an effort to remove pornographic and sexually violent films from television programming.

MR. ANGUISH—TESTING OF CRUISE MISSILE ON CANADIAN SOIL

Mr. Doug Anguish (The Battlefords-Meadow Lake): Madam Speaker, I have a petition which I would like to present to the House this afternoon from residents of the community of St. Walburg in my constituency to the Honourable House of Commons of Ottawa in Parliament assembled.

The petition of the undersigned residents of the Province of Saskatchewan, who now avail themselves of their ancient and undoubted right thus to present a grievance common to your petitioners in the certain assurance that Your Honourable House will therefore provide a remedy, humbly sheweth that the Cruise missile is designed to carry a nuclear warhead, that the Cruise is a first-strike weapon rather than a defensive one, that there can be no winners in a nuclear war. Wherefore the undersigned, your petitioners, humbly pray and call upon Parliament to press for compliance with the Prime Minister's strategy of suffocation as set out in the United Nations special session on disarmament—

Madam Speaker: Order, please. I must remind the Hon. Member that he should read solely the title of the petition. He is not allowed to expand on the petition, nor to argue it. This is the second petition he has presented today. Both presentations were much, much too long, more than the Speaker can accept.