

barriers to United States exports to Canada. As the old Latin maxim says, the fact speaks for itself; *res ipsa loquitur*.

Mr. Kempling: Mr. Speaker, I have a short question or a comment, whichever you want to call it. The only time safeguards were used in the last 13 years was in the case of the Chrysler van plant in Windsor, of which the Hon. Member made mention in his comments. It was the only time that the safeguards were invoked, and it was because Chrysler in importing large trucks into Canada went beyond what was allowed under the Act.

Also I should like to tell the Hon. Member that in the last two years the Canadian content in automobiles exported from Canada has been pretty close to 80 per cent.

Mr. Gray (Windsor West): Mr. Speaker, I am glad the Hon. Member made that comment. It reminded me of another time the safeguards came into play. It was in the negotiation of the arrangement for a substantial investment of hundreds of millions of dollars to expand the American Motors plant in Brampton. I can speak from my personal knowledge of the situation. The safeguards were a factor, and they continue to be a factor.

Again I ask why the Hon. Member is contradicting his colleagues—

Mr. Kempling: I am not.

Mr. Gray (Windsor West):—especially the Secretary of State for External Affairs (Mr. Clark) and using language which indicates very clearly that he is ready to give up the safeguards. I say on behalf of hundreds of thousands of Canadian auto workers: "Shame on you".

Mr. McDermid: Mr. Speaker, I have a short question for the House Leader of the Liberal Party. Earlier today his spokesman on trade matters, the Hon. Member for Winnipeg—Fort Garry, said that the Liberal Party had a policy on trade. He said that it was produced after a series of policy meetings, that it was in booklet form or in written form, and that he would be pleased to pass it on to me. I have not seen it yet. I should like to ask the Hon. House Leader of the Liberal Party if he would take it upon himself to ensure that I have in my hands the policy of the Liberal Party on the trade situation before the debate has finished today?

Mr. Gray (Windsor West): Mr. Speaker, if I could have a page, I would be happy to send it to the Hon. Member. I hope he will read it. I hope he will support it. It is a lot better than that of the Conservative Party, which is dragging Canada down in its trade with the United States and with the world.

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PROCEEDINGS ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

[Translation]

SUBJECT MATTER OF QUESTIONS TO BE DEBATED

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): Order, please. Pursuant to Standing Order 66, it is my duty to inform the House that the questions to be raised tonight at the time of adjournment are as follows: The Hon. Member for Broadview—Greenwood (Ms. McDonald)—Customs Tariff—Effect of tariff on book publishing industry; the Hon. Member for Winnipeg—Fort Garry (Mr. Axworthy)—Disarmament—(a) United States position on Strategic Defence Initiative. (b) Request joint parliamentary resolution be drafted; the Hon. Member for York East (Mr. Redway)—Trade—Canada—United States negotiations—Economic Council's projection.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[Translation]

BUSINESS OF SUPPLY

ALLOTTED DAY, S.O. 82—TRADE POLICY

The House resumed consideration of the motion of Mr. Langdon:

That this House condemns the government for confusion, lack of direction, and secrecy in its trade policy, and specifically, condemns:

1. the misguided efforts of the Minister of International Trade to present a unilateral proposal to the United States which undercut the Canadian position before the Commerce Department's lumber countervail decision;
2. the weak and contradictory response of the same Minister to that lumber decision, by which she has neglected firm Canadian action and possibilities and used mere rhetoric and legal appeals within the very US system of countervail she criticizes;
3. the failure of the Canadian Government to eliminate the damaging trade effects of the US Farm Bill which hurts so many Canadian Farmers;
4. the weakness of the Canadian Government in its response to the customs surtax and the differential US tax on imported as opposed to domestic oil;
5. the way in which this government's free trade talks with the US have made Canada a target of US countervail and congressional action rather than helping this country escape such actions;
6. the lower priority given by this government to GATT negotiations rather than to comprehensive bilateral talks with the US; and
7. the failure of this government realistically to assess the massive constitutional roadblocks in the way of a truly fair bilateral agreement between Canada and the US.

Mrs. Lise Bourgault (Argenteuil—Papineau): Mr. Speaker, it is with a great pleasure that I take part in today's debate. As a Member from a rural riding, I am particularly interested in this issue, and I intend to comment on paragraph 3 of this motion, and I quote:

- 3) the failure of the Canadian Government to eliminate the damaging trade effects of the US Farm Bill which hurts so many Canadian farmers;