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need to spend billions of dollars on a batch of nuclear subs. Well, the Conservative Member for Esquimalt—Saanich (Mr. Crofton) has the answer. He says that we need the subs to chase after drug runners and fish thieves. With thinking like that, Mr. Speaker, is it any wonder that Canadians do not want these nuclear subs?

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**PUBLIC SERVICE**

## GOVERNMENT MEASURES

**Mr. Bill Tupper (Nepean—Carleton):** Mr. Speaker, historically and currently Canada has been blessed with an efficient, creative, and productive Public Service. No Government can function without an efficient and responsive Public Service and the present Government is no exception. True, the Public Service may be under stress, but we should not be surprised at this because of rapidly evolving circumstances.

The present Government has been a responsible employer. It introduced master bargaining, a fully funded dental plan, employment equity measures, additional day care centres, and a smoking policy for the workplace. It abolished mandatory retirement, and created a self-funded leave program and voluntary early retirement measures.

The Government also introduced a most successful workforce adjustment program, developed measures to ease the impact of privatization on employees; introduced performance pay and productivity bonuses for managers; and created the Canadian Centre for Management Studies which will bring together leading practitioners and scholars to contribute directly to new and improved management practices in the Canadian Public Service.

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**REGIONAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT**

## EASTERN ONTARIO—CALL FOR NEW PROGRAM

**Mr. Len Hopkins (Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke):** Mr. Speaker, the Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney) put the economy of eastern Ontario in jeopardy on the day he appointed the Hon. Member for Lanark—Renfrew—Carleton (Mr. Dick) as the regional Minister to protect it.

As of June 30 the Government has cancelled all regional industrial development incentives for eastern Ontario. The Government is now in the position of having deserted regional development in this region of Canada.

When is the Government going to depart from its callous ways and bring in a new regional development program for eastern Ontario to support industry and tourism? This is the first time since 1970 that a large part of eastern Ontario has

been without an industrial regional development program. The Government was very quiet about letting the industrial development incentive package drop and obviously wanted to play it low key.

We in eastern Ontario demand that the Government bring in a regional development and tourism program. If the Prime Minister can give \$164 million to Lac St. Jean in a by-election, he can bring in an industrial and tourism incentive program for eastern Ontario for years to come.

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[Translation]

**OFFICIAL LANGUAGES**

## RESPECT FOR LAW

**Mr. André Plourde (Kamouraska—Rivière-du-Loup):** This morning, I feel I must bring to the attention of Hon. Members what happened to me last night at Ottawa International Airport, an incident that was very significant, especially after the passage of Bill C-72. In fact, I wanted some information, and I went to one of the Transport Canada employees at the airport and spoke to him in French. To my astonishment, he was unable to respond in French. I repeated my question but failed to get any results, so that finally, an RCMP officer stepped in and saved the day.

Mr. Speaker, this very ordinary incident made me think of how vigilant we will have to be about enforcing the Official Languages Act. Now that the Bill has been passed, I think we have a duty to ensure that all possible steps are taken to enforce the legislation.

I therefore urge all Ministers to ensure compliance with the legislation within their respective departments and within the Crown corporations for which they are responsible.

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[English]

**INDUSTRY**

## SITUATION OF TRUCKING INDUSTRY

**Mr. Les Benjamin (Regina West):** Mr. Speaker, the Government is allowing two grave threats to the Canadian trucking industry to grow and fester because of deregulation and the Mulroney-Reagan free trade deal.

First, U.S. truckers are pouring into Canada supported by an American tax regime which gives them a tremendous advantage over Canadian carriers. It is only a question of time before Canadian truckers shut down in Canada and move south to take advantage of U.S. capital depreciation rules. The Canadian Government should level the playing field forthwith.