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During the past season the Office sponsored a program to welcome local and other tourists, held a special reception for the 10,000th visitor, and aired various radio broadcasts.

The participants, led by Yves Devost, include Joël Cotten, Hélène Frenette, Monique Gervais and Stéphanie Beauchamps; they will represent the region at the Quebec tourism awards provincial gala in Montreal on November 21.

Mr. Speaker, young Canadians are striving for excellence under the Challenge '86 program.

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**NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION**

## CANADIAN PARTICIPATION IN MILITARY EXERCISE IN NORWAY

**Mr. Bob Hicks (Scarborough East):** Mr. Speaker, it was a pleasure for me to travel to northern Norway last week to observe Operation Brave Lion. Operation Brave Lion was an exercise of our Canadian Air and Sea Transportable Brigade held in northern Norway, which saw over 5,000 Canadian troops and over 2,000 pieces of equipment transported across the Atlantic to combine forces with the Norwegian army.

This exercise illustrated to all of our NATO allies our ability to assemble and deploy equipment within the time frames outlined in our bilateral agreement with Norway. But it illustrated something further, Mr. Speaker. It showed the world the outstanding calibre of Canadian troops in a seven-week exercise held in frosty sub-zero conditions. This exercise was the largest single movement of Canadian troops and supplies to Europe since the Second World War.

Members of this House and, in fact, all Canadians should be justly proud.

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**AIR TRANSPORT**

## HAMILTON AIRPORT—SUGGEST REALLOCATION OF LANDING RIGHTS

**Ms. Sheila Copps (Hamilton East):** Mr. Speaker, only a few weeks ago we heard the Minister of Transport (Mr. Crosbie) saying that the Lester B. Pearson International Terminal 1 is in crisis. Then, lo and behold, only three days ago the same Minister proudly announced that he has agreed to allow another airline to land in Toronto at Lester B. Pearson International Airport, this at a time when a \$50 million facility in the city of Hamilton is lying in waste with an average passenger load some days of only 40 to 100 people.

Will the Minister of Transport listen to the regional council, listen to the City of Hamilton, and designate TAP Air Portugal as an airline which comes to Hamilton? Will he make

sure that any further international carriers given landing rights in southwestern Ontario are asked to land in the heart of the Golden Horseshoe, in the city of Hamilton? Otherwise any talk about fiscal responsibility by the Government is simply a farce.

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**REGIONAL ECONOMIC EXPANSION**

## FUTURE OF HINTON, ALTA., PROJECT

**Hon. André Ouellet (Papineau):** Mr. Speaker, on Monday a decision will be taken in an American boardroom which could have serious repercussions on the future economic development of the town of Hinton, Alberta. On the line is the projected modernization and expansion of the Champion Forest Products mill. Also on the line are many, many important jobs. At issue here is the CNR's non-competitive freight rate and a \$350 million investment that will be lost if the Government does not act.

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In spite of numerous representations both from the company and the Hinton Chamber of Commerce to the Minister of Transport (Mr. Crosbie), as well as to the Hon. Member for Yellowhead (Mr. Clark), there has been no significant action taken on this dossier. We urge the Minister of Transport to take action this weekend in order to save what is an important development project for Alberta and for Canada.

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**AIRPORTS**

## VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT—PROPOSED ACQUISITION BY PROVINCE

**Mr. Ian Waddell (Vancouver—Kingsway):** Mr. Speaker, the Social Credit Government of British Columbia, about which you probably know something, has said it wants to take over Vancouver International Airport and establish a special enterprise zone around it. The new Premier of B.C. has indicated that he wants to abolish minimum wage legislation, and the former Industry Minister has said that he wants special enterprise zones in order to keep unions away from organizing workers.

This is a wingy and dangerous idea of the Social Credit Government. I call upon the federal Government clearly to dissociate itself from this wacky idea, or is this Government prepared to go ahead and let the Socreds take over the airports in B.C. and consent to wage-slave ghettos around them?

Women make only two-thirds of what men make. They constitute 75 per cent of Canada's poor. Special enterprise zones would result in below poverty line wages for women and