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Canada with Crown corporations at both federal and provincial levels. We have a mixed economy in Canada. The future role of the Crown corporation is indeed a challenge to the left, as well as being open to obvious criticism from the right.

I advocate three things. The first is that this mismanagement not go unpunished. The second is that Crown corporations be open to public scrutiny. Messrs. Strong, Bell, and Austin are strong individuals but are not really accountable to anyone. There should be a special parliamentary committee for Crown corporations which would have the powers of an American congressional committee. Finally, we should integrate Crown corporation strategies into a national industrial game plan. Then we will not have \$3.5 billion spent to produce an executive jet. I find that a strange priority. It is a real blight on Crown corporations in Canada.

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THE ECONOMY

ALL-PARTY SUPPORT REQUESTED FOR IMPROVING THE ECONOMY

Mr. André Maltais (Manicouagan): Mr. Speaker, yesterday, I was very pleased when I found out that Quebec had finally decided to focus more attention on the North Shore, and I am referring to plans for establishing an aluminum refinery in Sept-Iles. Mr. Speaker, it is very important that Quebec and the federal Government co-operate on this project and ensure that it will come to fruition.

I know that the company concerned has already met federal officials and that the Canadian Government has confirmed and is prepared to take part in the project if it receives a request from the Kaiser Corporation.

Mr. Speaker, I hope that all parties in the House will be able to give their approval very shortly so that we can bring a new industry into the region, in order to put the economy back on the rails, and not only in Sept-Iles but in the entire region, which in addition to Sept-Iles includes Schefferville, Gagnon, Fermont, the people of Port Cartier, and the people on the lower North Shore, who all stand to benefit.

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EMPLOYMENT

REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTARY FUNDS FOR YOUNG STUDENTS

Hon. Roch La Salle (Joliette): Mr. Speaker, I hope you will allow me to follow the example of my colleague from Verdun and welcome our famous guest. I want to congratulate him on his outstanding performance which has made all Canadians feel very proud. Mr. Speaker, this is the second time I mention this extraordinary performance.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to remind the Minister responsible for student employment that the Government recently appointed a Minister of Youth. However, to give young people hope for the future, we must have budgets that are commensurate with the number of young people who will be looking for work this summer. As far as the Summer Canada Program is concerned, Mr. Speaker—and I know my colleagues are already aware of this—the interest expressed in it by young people vastly exceeds proposed funding.

Today, I want to urge the Minister to make additional funding available so that these young students will not be disappointed when they start looking for jobs this summer. In the circumstances . . . I hear Hon. Members complaining, I am sure I do not know why, Mr. Speaker. On behalf of these young people, I would simply ask the Government to be responsible and compassionate, and to provide additional funding so that this summer, young students will be able to earn a few dollars to help them pay for their education. Mr. Speaker, that was the gist of what I wanted to say today, and I hope my colleagues were listening carefully.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS

PRESENCE IN GALLERY OF OLYMPIC ICE SKATING CHAMPION, GAËTAN BOUCHER

Mr. Maurice Harquail (Restigouche): Mr. Speaker, I want to join with the Hon. Member for Verdun (Mr. Savard), and I am sure all members on all sides of the House will want to support me, when we recognize a great Canadian who has made us all very proud with his accomplishments at the Olympics. I am speaking of the two gold medal and bronze medal winner, Gaëtan Boucher, who is here with his father and family today.

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

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SHIPBUILDING

PLACEMENT OF ORDERS ABROAD

Mr. Joe Reid (St. Catharines): Mr. Speaker, the Canadian Shipbuilding and Ship Repairing Association has recently reported that already in this year, 1984, four new foreign built supply ships have been registered for use in our East Coast offshore operations. Canadian shipyards could have built those vessels, and the benefit to Canada would have been in the order of \$55 million. They were not built in Canada because of the availability of cheaper financing abroad, and muddled federal policies here.

Consider the obstacles facing the Canadian shipbuilder. Not only must the builder contend with direct and indirect subsidies offered by foreign competitors, the builder must also face