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exports to France which I believe generate millions of export dollars for that province and indeed for Canada. Eventually, those dollars spin off into other industries including shipbuilding, processing and electronics. Is the Hon. Member aware of that? What would be the impact on his province if trade relations with France were discontinued or if this war were to be escalated? Does the Hon. Member indeed want to escalate the situation into a trade war? Would that help his Province of New Brunswick?

Would it not be the height of irresponsibility, as we heard the Minister say during Question Period today, to escalate this war? Would it not be the height of irresponsibility, both in terms of Canada's relations with other sovereign states and in terms of one region of Canada versus another?

[Translation]

Mr. Robichaud: Mr. Speaker, I am greatful to the Hon. Member for his question. I am certainly well aware of some trade being conducted between my province and a number of European countries, including France. I am also aware that we export lobster and various species of fish.

I must tell the Hon. Member, however, that New Brunswick fishermen are quite concerned about the overfishing in the 3PS

zone, because they do not only fish off New Brunswick, but also both inside and outside the Gulf. I can tell you that when fishermen hear and know that there is overfishing in that area, they react in a very negative fashion. I am sure that if we were to act firmly to end this problem, New Brunswick fishermen would react positively.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): The time for questions and comment is over. Debate.

[English]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): With the conclusion of this debate, the proceedings on the motion now before the House have expired pursuant to Standing Order 82(12). Shall I call it three o'clock?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

[Translation]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): It being 3 p.m., this House stands adjourned until Monday at 11 a.m., pursuant to Standing Order 3(1).

The House adjourned at 2.28 p.m.