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Incidentally, a close perusal of the Bill demonstrates that there is a massive transfer of delegated authority from Parliament to Cabinet in each of these areas. I suggest that this requires an even closer examination by Parliament before it transfers that authority. It is probably the greatest single delegation of legislative power to an executive in the history of the country. Surely that requires a very careful parliamentary examination before it is allowed.

The Deputy Government House Leader said that the energy Bill was complicated. What does he call this? This legislation is like a bowl of spaghetti, with more strands in it than one can wrap around one's fork.

The Government is making this an omnibus Bill and signing it because it says that there is an international agreement. Does that mean that if the Government of Canada signs an Act for the union of Canada and the United States—probably the next step in this procedure—it would simply call it that and introduce an omnibus trade Bill with which we would have to deal? I will continue my argument at three o'clock.

Mr. Speaker: I want to thank the Hon. Member for Winnipeg—Fort Garry. I will certainly recognize him this afternoon in continuation of his argument.

It being one o'clock, I do now leave the chair until two o'clock this day.

At 1.01 p.m. the House took recess.

AFTER RECESS

The House resumed at 2 p.m.

STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO S.O. 21

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CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS
JOB LOSSES IN NEW BRUNSWICK

Mr. Fernand Robichaud (Westmorland—Kent): Mr. Speaker, I rise today once again to condemn the Government for its inaction concerning the erosion of CN jobs in New Brunswick. Over the last few years many communities have been severely affected, most notably Moncton, Campbellton, and Edmundston. Jobs were cut by the dozens and at times by the hundreds. Throughout all this the Conservative Government refused to intervene and review the actions of its Crown corporation.

Once again, cut-backs are being mentioned. This time it concerns the proposed transfer of the train dispatching offices from Moncton and Edmundston to Toronto. Another 39 jobs are at stake.

It is time for the Government to say no. It is time to say enough is enough. The New Brunswick economy has suffered

enough from CN cut-backs. Workers have suffered enough from lay-offs and transfers. It is time for the federal Government to stop sitting on its hands. It is time to act.

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MULTICULTURALISM
TRIBUTE TO BILL WEN

Mr. Alan Redway (York East): Mr. Speaker, last night I had the privilege of attending a banquet honouring one of my constituents, Bill Wen, a Canadian of Chinese origin recently appointed a Companion of the Order of Canada. Although Bill only came to Canada in 1953, he is in fact a third generation Canadian. Both his grandfather and his father came to Canada many years earlier, but because of the Chinese Immigration Act Bill Wen was not born here and was not even allowed to come to Canada until that Act was repealed in 1952.

As a teenager Bill worked fifteen hours a day, seven days a week, without pay in his parent's restaurant in Hay Lakes, Alberta. Today he still works fifteen hours a day, seven days a week, but now in his own world renowned Sai Woo restaurant in Toronto.

Bill is deeply involved in many charitable and community activities such as bringing the Giant Pandas to Canada from China. "Because we are so privileged to live in Canada, we have a duty to serve", says Bill Wen. With a philosophy like that, it is no wonder we are so proud of this Canadian.

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NATIONAL PARKS
SOUTH MORESBY—DELAY IN SIGNING FINAL AGREEMENT

Mr. Jim Fulton (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, just one year ago the House of Commons voted unanimously to set aside the South Moresby area of the Queen Charlotte Islands as a national park reserve. The federal Government would provide compensation for those affected and ensure the continued participation of the Haida people in matters affecting South Moresby.

That was on May 14, 1987. By July a Memorandum of Understanding was reached and signed by the Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney) and the Premier of British Columbia. A final agreement was to be signed today. Apparently the signing has fallen through over resource compensation and recognition of Haida rights.

Surely the unanimous vote and voice of Parliament must prevail. The rights of the Haida people in Haida Gwaii, in particular, in South Moresby, are undeniable. Why is the