

continue development assistance and export credit to China on the premise that such programs do not lend support to China's military or propaganda apparatus.

The Canadian Government has not sought to discourage our important trade links to China. We believe that the past decade of opening to the West, increased trade and people-to-people contacts, has done much to help China's people. As well, with our technology and people go our ideas: we believe that contact with the West over the past decade helped fuel the interest of so many of China's people in political change.

Canadian officials have made repeated representations to Chinese officials about human rights. These concerns continue, despite the lifting of martial law and the release of hundreds of those arrested last year.

At the UN last September, Canada spoke out on Chinese human rights issues. This past March, Canada, along with a number of other countries, supported a resolution on this issue before the UN Commission for Human Rights. Although that resolution was narrowly defeated, we shall continue to speak out on this question.

AGRICULTURE

ECONOMIC EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO PRAIRIE FARMERS— REQUEST FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PROGRAM

Hon. C. William Doody (Deputy Leader of the Government): Honourable senators, I have a delayed answer in response to a question asked in the Senate on June 14 last by the Honourable Senator Olson regarding Agriculture—Economic Emergency Assistance to Prairie Farmers—Request for Terms and Conditions of Program.

(The answer follows:)

The Government of Alberta has announced that the province will make a payment of \$4.10/acre throughout the province on the 1989 seeded acreage and an additional \$3/acre in the 1989 drought affected southeast area of the province. Application deadline is August 31, 1990. All crops are eligible except summerfallow acreage, forage acreage on which payments have been made under the Northwest Alberta Disaster Assistance Program and irrigated land. Farmers will receive 85 per cent of their claim as an initial payment as early as possible. The Crow Benefit Program office in Edmonton will process claims while Alberta Treasury will issue the cheques. Application forms are available at Alberta Agriculture offices and participating country elevators. More details are given in the attached Alberta news release.

In the case of Saskatchewan, a payment of \$5.50/cultivated acre will be made to producers throughout Saskatchewan. The assistance program will be administered by the Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation. Application forms will be available at most elevators and Rural Services Centres by July 12, 1990. The cultivated acreage includes seeded acres, summerfallow, new breaking and perennial forage acres. Application deadline is

October 15, 1990. More details are given in the attached news release.

ABORTION BILL

EFFECT OF AMENDMENTS

Hon. C. William Doody: Honourable senators, I have a delayed answer in response to a question raised in the Senate on June 5, 1990, by the Honourable Allan J. MacEachen regarding the Abortion Bill—Effect of Amendments. I ask that the answer form part of today's proceedings.

(The answer follows:)

OLD SECTION 251 AND PROPOSED BILL C-43 A COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS

OLD SECTION 251	BILL C-43
therapeutic abortion committee	one qualified medical practitioner
no definition of "health"	"health" is defined
accredited or approved hospital	no hospital requirement; left to provinces to regulate
doctor who performs abortion cannot be on abortion committee	doctor who gives opinion can be same doctor who performs abortion
express liability for woman who intentionally seeks an abortion	liability for woman only if she knowingly and intentionally seeks or has an abortion outside of the exemptions
no need to prove pregnancy (except if woman is accused); intention to procure miscarriage is sufficient	must prove that an abortion actually occurred (except for offences of attempt, counselling and conspiracy)
requirement for certificate from doctor	no certificate requirement
no reference to preventing implantation	applies only after implantation

ABORTION

The following represents a list of those Motions to Amend Bill C-43 which were debated at Report Stage in the House of Commons which, if adopted, would have affected the constitutionality of the proposed legislation:

Motions No. 4 and 22

No. 4