Mr. Epp (Provencher): You guys are misleading the country!

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I would ask all Members and all Ministers to come to order.

Some Hon. Members: Shame, shame!

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I would ask all Members and all Ministers, and all Ministers and all Members, to come to order, please.

The two petitions presented by filing with the Clerk of the House meet the requirements of the Standing Orders as to form.

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PRIVILEGE

ALLEGED ACCUSATION BY MR. MULRONEY

Mr. Speaker: I am in receipt of a notice of a question of privilege from the Hon. Member for Glengarry-Prescott-Russell (Mr. Boudria).

Mr. Don Boudria (Glengarry-Prescott-Russell): Mr. Speaker, I submit to you it is indeed an attack on the privileges of every Member of this House when certain false accusations are made against an Hon. Member in the House by another Hon. Member, which has been done on repeated occasions by the Prime Minister of Canada (Mr. Mulroney).

The Prime Minister made reference to the trip which I took to Taiwan with Conservative Members from Mississauga North (Mr. Horner), Cumberland-Colchester (Mr. Coates), York North (Mr. Roman) and Vaudreuil (Mr. Cadieux), and others. The Prime Minister has insinuated falsely, I submit to you—

Some Hon. Members: Sit down.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

Mr. Ouellet: Listen to him, he has a question of privilege.

Mr. Speaker: Before I hear any argument with regard to any matter, I must ask the Hon. Member to tell me precisely what his question of privilege is.

Mr. Ouellet: He is doing that!

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Member for Papineau (Mr. Ouellet) will please allow me to hear the Hon. Member's argument.

The Hon. Member for Glengarry-Prescott-Russell knows that our practices are that rather than give me the argument he may wish to put to the House at this point, he must give me immediately his *prima facie* case of privilege.

Mr. Ouellet: That is what he is doing.

Mr. Boudria: Mr. Speaker, I submit to you that there have been serious erroneous attacks by a Member of Parliament

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against another Member of Parliament, which is my initial submission.

Mr. Speaker: Would you please fix the House microphone.

Mr. Boudria: I submitted to you in the first sentence that an untrue attack made by a Member of Parliament against another Member in this House is an abuse of our parliamentary privileges.

Ms. Copps: A lie!

Mr. Boudria: I was going on to describe very briefly what, indeed, that attack had been by the Hon. Member for Manicouagan, the Right Hon. Prime Minister.

Mr. Speaker: I take it the Hon. Member is making an allegation that—

Mr. Ouellet: No!

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I take it the Hon. Member is arguing that a mistatement of fact on one side or the other is the substance of his—

Mr. Ouellet: No!

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Is that the basis of his suggestion, that there is a question of privilege involved? I think he knows that is not true.

Mr. Gauthier: I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I think the Hon. Member knows that, if he believes that something has been said which is improper or otherwise, there are recourses which he may take. However, it is not a question of privilege.

Mr. Gauthier: I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I wish to refer you to Beauchesne's Fifth Edition, Citation 319. During Oral Questions the Prime Minister referred to the Hon. Member for Glengarry-Prescott-Russell by his family name. I think that is contrary to the rules and customs of the House. I want Your Honour to remind the Prime Minister that we are supposed to be addressed properly in the House. I refer to him as the Right Hon. Prime Minister. I think he should be made aware of the rules and follows them.

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Member has raised a correct point of order. In fact, it is the practice and custom of the House not to use family names and that all Members should be referred to by their ridings. I ask all Members—all Members—to remember that rule since it is honoured increasingly in the breach.

Mr. Prud'homme: I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Gray (Windsor West): I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: The first point of order I will hear will be that of the Hon. Member for Saint-Denis (Mr. Prud'homme).