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environment is a priority for this Government, as the Minister of the Environment (Mr. Bouchard) showed again yesterday in Montreal when he signed a most significant agreement with his Québec counterpart to clean up the St. Lawrence River.

Mr. Speaker, allow me to quote the Minister's words, which indeed reflect the Conservative Government's policy: In the past, companies profited by polluting the environment and only the shareholders shared these profits. The time has come for these companies to contribute to environmental protection. The people do not want speeches or public relations operations. They want concrete action and that is what the Conservative Government will do, Mr. Speaker.

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear.

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AGRICULTURE

INCOME OF DAIRY FARMERS

Mr. Maurice Foster (Algoma): Mr. Speaker, last weekend I met with the Algoma dairy farmers concerning the threat to the future of supply management and marketing board systems for Canadian dairy industry as a result of the Government's action. The Government agreed in April of 1989 to freeze the income of Canadian dairy farmers until 1991 at the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, even for domestically consumed dairy products.

At the same time, the European Economic Community farmers have made an arrangement for their dairy producer returns to go up. The United Kingdom farmers have increased the price of their milk and dairy products by 3 per cent, and reduced the producer levies by 25 per cent. The net result is that the income of Canadian dairy producers can go down for the next 20 months but cannot go up, regardless of input costs.

I call on the Government to keep its election promise to maintain the supply management and marketing board systems that we have in Canada for dairy products and other farm products.

NUCLEAR ARMAMENTS

DETONATION OF DUMMY WARHEAD OFF VANCOUVER ISLAND

Mr. Lee Richardson (Calgary Southeast): Mr. Speaker, in Question Period yesterday I was greatly alarmed at what appeared to be reports of a nuclear warhead having detonated in the waters between the Queen Charlotte Islands and Vancouver Island. I asked myself, can this be true? Of course it was not. Instead, it was just another attempt at fearmongering by a Member of the New Democratic Party.

For the record, the cause of the explosion to which the Hon. Member referred was not a nuclear warhead but a dummy warhead which caused no contamination.

Furthermore the incident to which she referred happened 39 years ago. It was made public eight years ago.

We are all concerned and indeed frightened about the prospects of nuclear explosions in Canada or elsewhere. We are all concerned about the presence of nuclear waste in our oceans. However, throwing out red herrings, as the Hon. Member did yesterday, serves no useful purpose. The issues before us demand we remain calm, remain cool and remain rational. Generating fear may get attention but it does not get respect.

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THE FAMILY

MISSING CHILDREN'S NETWORK

Mrs. Shirley Maheu (Saint-Laurent): Mr. Speaker, I would like to see us cut across Party lines again. There are hundreds of missing children in Canada today. There is an equivalent number of parents that must suffer the horror of not knowing where their children are or in what situation they are living.

Groups such as the Missing Children's Network provide an invaluable service in their struggle to reunite children with their families.

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Unfortunately, Mr. Speaker, the Missing Children's Network will have to close in November if the Government refuses to give it financial assistance. These funds