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The B.C. concerns about taking additional measures to halt foreign over-fishing of Canadian stocks and about relief programs for fishermen and shore workers deserve better than accusations by the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans (Mr. Siddon) about scare-mongering.

People who are losing their jobs deserve fair treatment, not insults.

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ENERGY**TERMINATION OF CEDIP GRANTS**

Mr. Lee Richardson (Calgary Southeast): Mr. Speaker, the abrupt termination of CEDIP grants to the oil and gas industry is unfair. Not only was the industry not consulted or even warned about the impending end of this popular program, but the cancellation flies in the face of the Government's own legislation which requires that six months' notice be given to the industry before the program would end. No notice was given.

In fact, assurances were made by the Minister to me and to the industry mere days before the Budget that the program was safe from budget cuts.

The Government has stated that grants will still be processed if companies have legal documentation proving that before April 26 they had intention to drill.

The oil and gas industry is a business where deals are made on the basis of a firm handshake. Certainly, legal documentation follows, but a deal is a deal and to oil men a handshake is as good as their signature on a contract.

We are all concerned about the national debt. Few in the industry would argue that the CEDIP program has not been generous and worth while. Everyone recognizes that the program spent more than originally forecast. Yet, this is a matter of fairness. I and the members of the industry only seek fairness. I certainly hope that latitude will be given for applications considered under the grandfather clause.

SPORTS**USE OF BANNED SUBSTANCES TO ENHANCE PERFORMANCE**

Mr. John Brewin (Victoria): Mr. Speaker, we all applaud the fact that Ben Johnson has admitted to the Dubin Inquiry his use of banned substances and his determination to run again for Canada. We hope that this will make a contribution towards changing the direction of Canadian sport, and will contribute to correcting the scandal that took place in Seoul last year.

I note that the Minister of State (Fitness and Amateur Sport) (Mr. Charest) is finally beginning to backtrack from his arbitrary actions taken in Seoul last year. Without prejudging the case, it is important that we all wait until the Dubin Inquiry has handed down its recommendations. But in that regard, I want to advise the House that last night I was able to present to Mr. Justice Dubin the views of a particular group of Canadians who were affected by this, namely, the young people. George J. Elementary School in my riding has issued a bill from their own model Parliament under the introduction of the "Right Hon." Chris Sandham. These views and the views of all Canadians must be taken into account in this sad chapter of Canadian history.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**ACTIONS OF CHINESE GOVERNMENT TOWARD STUDENTS**

Mr. Doug Fee (Red Deer): Mr. Speaker, thinking and concerned Canadians continue to express shock and disbelief at the reaction of the Chinese Government towards the peaceful demonstration of students and democratic advocates. Parliamentarians from both sides of this House have expressed their condemnation of these actions.

Several hundred of my constituents have joined other Canadians in an attempt to express their grief and their outrage. In a telegram to the Secretary of State of External Affairs (Mr. Clark), they say: