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anyone else in a serious position. Nevertheless, that was the feeling. What the Conservative Government has to do is to get its house in order. We have three speakers, the Hon. Member for Scarborough West, the Secretary of State for External Affairs, and our Ambassador, directed by the Government, coming up with three different, completely unrelated stories. The responsibility lies with the Conservatives to support this motion today and to make a new beginning.

**Mr. Axworthy:** Mr. Speaker, just in the last minute or two before the vote, I think it is important to address an issue raised by the previous speaker who said that people in this country—there is no question, people right across the country—are interested in finding some solution to the horrendous problem facing us. The approach taken by the NDP is not the way to do it.

**Mr. Deans:** How do you know?

**Mr. Axworthy:** Here we have an amendment on the floor which provides an opportunity for all Parties to take a non-partisan approach and agree that one of the most important events is the coming together of the United States and the Soviet Union to make an agreement and to start new negotiations. This is an opportunity for this Parliament to speak on behalf of Canadians and represent their interests in a non-partisan way. This is a very rare and important opportunity. But here they stand posturing and saying, "Well, it is far more important to endorse the freeze", which has been superseded already by events—

**Mr. Deans:** Not at all.

**Mr. Axworthy:**—and by the willingness.

**An Hon. Member:** No.

**Mr. Axworthy:** And if new Democrats knew anything about their history—

**Mr. Blaikie:** You are full of it, Axworthy.

**Mr. Axworthy:** Obviously they do not know much about their history because they are the ones failing this country by not supporting this amendment.

[*Translation*]

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Charest):** Order, please. It being 5.45 p.m. it is my duty to interrupt proceedings and to put forthwith every question necessary to dispose of the supply proceedings now before the House under the provisions of Standing Order 62(10).

[*English*]

The question is the following one. Mr. Chrétien, seconded by Mr. Gray (Windsor West), moves:

That the motion be amended by deleting all of the words following the words "on a nuclear arms freeze" in the second to last paragraph of the motion and by adding the following:

"and, noting that the resumption of arms talks by the Soviet Union and the United States in Geneva in early 1985 announced by the superpowers on

November 22, subsequent to the presentation of the above resolution at the United Nations significantly alters the political situation on which the resolution is based and constitutes an effective first-step in the achievement of the two objectives to be attained in the declaration of a nuclear freeze, calls upon the government to adopt as policy the intent of the whole resolution by urging that the meeting of the two nuclear superpowers have on its agenda the negotiation of limits on their nuclear arsenals, a mutually verifiable freeze and significant reduction; a strengthening of the nuclear non-proliferation treaty; a renewed emphasis on the mutual and balanced force reduction talks in Vienna; the encouragement of political emphasis on the Stockholm conference; a moving up of the date of the United Nations special session on disarmament now scheduled for 1986; an international agreement to ban the testing and deployment of high-altitude anti-satellite weapons; and the refining and improvement of nuclear weapons verification techniques."

All those in favour, please say yea.

**Some Hon. Members:** Yea.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Charest):** All those opposed, please say nay.

**Some Hon. Members:** Nay.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Charest):** In my opinion the nays have it.

*And more than five Members having risen:*

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Charest):** Call in the Members.

The House divided on the amendment (Mr. Chrétien), which was negated on the following division:

● (1800)

*(Division No. 5)*

## YEAS

## Messrs.

Allmand	Frith	Marchi
Axworthy	Gagliano	Nicholson (Miss)
Berger	Garneau	(Trinity)
Boudria	Gauthier	Nunziata
Caccia	Gray	Ouellet
Chrétien	(Windsor West)	Penner
Copps (Ms.)	Guilbault	Pépin (Mrs.)
de Corneille	(Saint-Jacques)	Prud'homme
Dingwall	Hopkins	Robichaud
Finestone	Isabelle	Rompkey
(Mrs.)	Kaplan	Rossi
Foster	MacLellan	Turner—32.
		(Vancouver Quadra)

## NAYS

## Messrs.

Althouse	Blenkarn	Chartrand
Andre	Blouin (Mrs.)	Clark
Angus	Bouchard	(Brandon-Souris)
Beatty	Bourgault (Mrs.)	Clinch
Belsher	Boyer	Coates
Benjamin	Bradley	Cochrane
Bernier	Brightwell	Comeau
Bertrand (Mrs.)	Brisco	Cook
Binns	Broadbent	Cooper
Bissonnette	Browes (Mrs.)	Corbett
Blackburn	Cadieux	Cossitt (Mrs.)
(Brant)	Caldwell	Côté
Blackburn	Cardiff	(Langelier)
(Jonquière)	Champagne	Crosbie
Blaikie	(Champlain)	(St. John's West)
Blais-Grenier (Mrs.)	Charest	Crouse