

*Introduction of Bills*

## PETITIONS

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**Mr. Speaker:** I have the honour to inform the House that the petitions presented by Hon. Members on Thursday, May 24, 1984, meet the requirements of the Standing Orders as to form.

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

## PETITION

## MR. WENMAN—COURT PROCEEDINGS INVOLVING CHILDREN

**Mr. Robert Wenman (Fraser Valley West):** Mr. Speaker, I have the duty and responsibility to present a petition on behalf of the citizens of my riding of Fraser Valley West. The nature of this petition is to express concern at the number of delays in court proceedings in which children are involved.

In view of the trauma of children as victims of conflict and the additional trauma of long and drawn out court proceedings that could further this trauma, the purpose of the petition is to ask the federal Government to ensure that court proceedings commence within six months of the date of criminal charges being laid and that these proceedings should be completed within a six-month maximum period thereafter.

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## PENITENTIARY ACT AND PAROLE ACT

## MEASURE TO AMEND

**Hon. Bob Kaplan (Solicitor General of Canada)** moved for leave to introduce Bill C-35, an Act to amend the Penitentiary Act, the Parole Act and certain other Acts in consequence thereof.

**Mr. Speaker:** Is it the pleasure of the House that the Hon. Minister shall have leave to introduce the Bill?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

Motion agreed to, Bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

**Mr. Speaker:** When shall the Bill be read a second time? At the next sitting of the House?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

## INTEREST ACT

## MEASURE TO AMEND

**Hon. Yvon Pinard (for the Minister of State (Finance))** moved for leave to introduce Bill C-36, an Act to amend the Interest Act.

**Mr. Speaker:** Is it the pleasure of the House that the Hon. Minister shall have leave to introduce the Bill?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

Motion agreed to, Bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

**Mr. Speaker:** When shall the Bill be read a second time? At the next sitting of the house?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

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[Translation]

## NATIONAL HOUSING ACT

## MEASURE TO AMEND

**Hon. Roméo LeBlanc (Minister of Public Works)** moved for leave to introduce Bill C-37, an Act to amend the National Housing Act.

Motion agreed to, Bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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## QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

**Mr. John Evans (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 610, 631 and 720.

[Text]

## CIDA—AID TO AFRICAN COUNTRIES

Question No. 610—**Mr. Stewart:**

1. Was any bilateral aid given by the Canadian International Development Agency to each of anglophone and francophone African countries and, if so, in each case what (a) percentage (b) number of countries received such aid?

2. Is the Agency responsible for contracting for provision of goods and services to developing countries in the form of tied-aid, and, if so, what percentage of such contracts were awarded in each Province?

**Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Deputy Prime Minister and Secretary of State for External Affairs):** 1. (a) and (b) Yes. The Canadian International Development Agency, during the period from April 1, 1977 to March 31, 1983, provided bilateral aid to 82 per cent of the Anglophone and 89 per cent of the Francophone countries in Africa, which percentages