PETITIONS

MR. PATTERSON—TESTING OF CRUISE MISSILE ON CANADIAN SOIL

Mr. Alex Patterson (Fraser Valley East): Madam Speaker, it is my duty to present the following petition to the honourable the House of Commons of Canada in Parliament assembled: the petition of the undersigned of the Official Board of Carmen United Church, Sardis, in the Province of British Columbia, who now avail themselves of their ancient and undoubted right thus to present a grievance common to your petitioners in the certain assurance that your honourable House will therefore provide a remedy. It humbly sheweth that many ordinary people across Canada, church leaders, parliamentarians and others share their fears of a nuclear holocaust, but still entertain the hope that it may be prevented through Government's continued efforts to discover peaceful means of settling disputes. Wherefore the undersigned, your petitioners humbly pray and call upon Parliament to support a nuclear freeze and oppose the testing of the Cruise missile on Canadian soil. And as in duty bond, your petitioners will ever prav.

RETENTION OF CROWSNEST PASS RATES

Mr. Laverne Lewycky (Dauphin-Swan River): Madam Speaker, this petition is from two towns in my riding, Grandview and Gilbert Plains. To the honourable the House of Commons of Canada in Parliament assembled, the petition of the undersigned residents of the Province of Manitoba who now exercise their right to present a grievance humbly sheweth that the Crow rate is an important benefit to western Canada and one of the earliest incentives granted to settlers and that the changing of the Crow rate will reduce farm incomes, contribute to the breaking up of communities and branch lines and increase trucking and road costs, and that three royal commissions have recommended the retention of the Crow rate. Wherefore the undersigned, your petitioners, humbly pray and call upon Parliament to maintain the Crow rate in perpetuity as presently guaranteed by Statute. And as in duty bond, your petitioners will ever pray.

Mr. Ian Waddell (Vancouver-Kingsway): Madam Speaker, I too have the honour of presenting a petition from 36 Canadians from Plunkett, Saskatchewan. The petition, Madam Speaker, reads:

[Translation]

To the Honourable the House of Commons of Canada, in Parliament assembled:

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

[English]

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Order Paper Questions

Mr. Waddell: Can I not use Canada's other official language?

[Translation]

Some Hon. Members: In French!

Mr. Waddell: The petition of the undersigned residents of Canada who now exercise their ancient and undisputed right to present a grievance, with the assurance that your honourable House of Commons will remedy the situation.

Humbly sheweth

That the Western Canadian farmers paid \$131 million to move export grain under the Crow freight rate in the 1981-82 crop year. This grain in turn contributed \$6.3 billion to the balance of trade;

That the undersigned believe that this is the farmers' fair contribution to the Canadian economy;

And that Western farmers will pay but one time the Crow rate.

Wherefore the undersigned humbly pray and call upon Parliament to maintain the present statutory grain Crow rate.

And as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. Jean Lapierre (Parliamentary Secretary to Deputy Prime Minister and Secretary of State for External Affairs): Madam Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 4,864 and 4,872.

[Text]

DND—PURCHASE OF CHEMICAL AIR BURST DISPENSERS

Question No. 4,864—Mr. McKinnon:

Is the Department of National Defence spending \$204,799 for chemical air burst dispensers and, if so (a) for what reason (b) what chemical are they going to dispense?

Hon. J.-J. Blais (Minister of Supply and Services): Yes. (a) The dispensers are used during training exercises to simulate gas attack. (b) Sodium carbonate and propylene glycol are dispensed.

CANADA LAND INVENTORY MAPS

Question No. 4,872—Mr. Thomson:

- 1. How many Canada Land Inventory maps were produced for sale by the Canada Map Office?
 - 2. What was the cost of production?
- 3. How many of the maps were sold to date and what was the breakdown of sales made to (a) individuals (b) governments (c) companies, including the type of company?

Hon. John Roberts (Minister of the Environment): 1. Approximately two million maps have been produced for the