

ment in the expansion of the international market for military and policing equipment. They wish that the Government would take action to ensure that countries which violate human rights are not permitted to arrange purchases of military and policing equipment from Canada.

#### UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT AMENDMENTS

**Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops):** Mr. Speaker, I present another petition on behalf of constituents of Kamloops, British Columbia.

The petitioners are concerned that the Government has, in a sense, severely abused the Unemployment Insurance Act by expecting training programs to be funded in large part by funds contributed through the unemployment insurance package. They are asking Parliament to move immediately to adopt the recommendations presented to it by the Standing Committee on Labour, Employment and Immigration in its first report to the thirty-third Parliament, second session, and to reject any proposal to fund these retraining programs from the unemployment insurance fund.

#### HYDROCARBON EXPLORATION

**Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops):** Mr. Speaker, I have another petition on another matter. Petitioners from Kamloops, British Columbia are concerned that the Government may in fact be supporting the exploration of minerals and hydrocarbons off our West Coast.

The petitioners are making the point at some length that this would be inappropriate and are therefore simply calling upon Parliament to stop any hydrocarbon exploration activities off the West Coast of British Columbia.

#### EXTRADITION LAW AMENDMENTS

**Mr. Alex Kindy (Calgary Northeast):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present two petitions pursuant to Standing Order 36. They concern the extradition of criminals out of Canada.

The petitioners want the laws of Canada revised so that people can be extradited for crimes committed elsewhere.

#### *Petitions*

#### PORT OF CHURCHILL

**Mr. Rod Murphy (Churchill):** Mr. Speaker, once again I rise to present petitions signed by Canadians who are concerned about the future of the Port of Churchill.

The Port of Churchill is crucial to the health of the economy of the prairie provinces. Already, the result of the reduced grain shipments through Churchill is beginning to show. An astounding 83 of our 185 track maintenance workers on the railway lines in northern Manitoba are being told that their jobs will be abolished in the next five months.

Petitioners from Winnipeg, Churchill, Ilford, The Pas, all in Manitoba, and from Hudson Bay in Saskatchewan call on the House of Commons to ensure that, at the very least, 3 per cent of Canada's annual grain shipments be shipped out of Churchill.

Only by stabilizing the flow of grain across the Prairies to Churchill can we stabilize the economies and the communities of our prairie provinces and maintain the jobs of the track workers there.

#### PENSION LAW AMENDMENTS

**Mr. Ross Reid (St. John's East):** Mr. Speaker, it is my honour and privilege, pursuant to Standing Order 36, to present to the House today a petition signed by nearly 6,000 teachers in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, members of the Newfoundland Teachers Association under the presidency of Mr. Keith Coombs.

These teachers are concerned that the anticipated changes to the Canadian laws affecting pensions will directly and significantly affect their pension plan and the pension benefits they have negotiated with the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador over a period of time, provisions that have been negotiated as part of a broader compensation package, a compensation package that reflects the realities of teachers and the realities of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Their prayer is that the Government either abandon these amendments or make the amendments suitable to accommodate the particular realities of the pension plan.

#### VIA RAIL SERVICES

**Mr. Howard McCurdy (Windsor—Lake St. Clair):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour of submitting a petition in