

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

● (1540)

ROYAL ASSENT

The Honourable Antonio C. Lamer, Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Canada, in his capacity as Deputy Governor General, having come and being seated at the foot of the Throne, and the House of Commons having been summoned, and being come with their Speaker, The Honourable the Deputy Governor General was pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following bills:

An Act to establish the Department of Forestry, to amend the Forestry Development and Research Act and to make related amendments to other Acts (*Bill C-29, Chapter 27, 1989*)

An Act to amend the Canada Elections Act (*Bill C-47, Chapter 28, 1989*)

The House of Commons withdrew.

The Honourable the Deputy Governor General was pleased to retire.

● (1550)

The sitting of the Senate was resumed.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Hon. C. William Doody (Deputy Leader of the Government): Honourable senators, I should like to take this opportunity of wishing everyone on both sides of the house all the very best for the season and for the coming year. I wish to thank you all for the cooperation we have received—and for the cooperation that we had hoped to receive.

I should also like to thank all of the staff, both here in the chamber and in the rest of the building, for the wonderful service that they provide for us.

Hon. Senators: Hear, hear!

Senator Doody: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.

The Hon. the Speaker *pro tempore*: Honourable senators, before we leave the chamber, I too would like to wish all honourable senators and members of the staff a very merry Christmas.

[*Translation*]

May 1990 be a year of peace, happiness and good health for everyone.

[*English*]

The Senate adjourned until Tuesday, January 23, 1990, at 2 p.m.