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### S. O. 31

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The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): I declare the motion lost.

Winegard

Mr. Vincent Della Noce (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Revenue): Point of order, Mr. Speaker.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): The hon. member for Laval-Est on a point of order.

Mr. Della Noce: Mr. Speaker, I did not rise earlier, because I was late. I therefore preferred to remain seated. I want to put on the record that, had I been on time, I would have voted against this motion, even if the bill is commendable—

Some hon. members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Della Noce: —because I suggest it is incomplete.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): The hon. member for Cape Breton—East Richmond on a point of order.

[English]

**Mr. Dingwall:** Mr. Speaker, I think you would find unanimous consent in the House for members to revert to Statements by Members pursuant to Standing Order 31.

# [Translation]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Is it the pleasure of the House to now proceed to Statements pursuant to Standing Order 31?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

### STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO S. O. 31

• (1420)

[English]

#### VIMY MEMORIAL SERVICE

Mr. Bill Kempling (Burlington): Mr. Speaker, yesterday hundreds of people congregated on a few acres of France that are forever Canada. They came to the lovely park land containing the Vimy Memorial.

Every November, crowds of French citizens join our own dignitaries and troops at a special service of remembrance to commemorate the 60,000 Canadians who were killed in the First World War.

The memorial itself stands on top of Vimy Ridge, the site of Canada's first and greatest victory. Our soldiers had been drawn from other armies to form the Canadian corps and attempted to take the heavily defended ridge. On April 9, 1917, they succeeded and won everlasting respect. My father was in that battle.

The French government graciously granted Canada some of that historic site in perpetuity. As I said, hundreds of French men, women and children went there yesterday and joined our ambassador to France, Mr. Claude Charland.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): The hon. member's time has expired.

# **ITALIAN CANADIANS**

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Mr. Sergio Marchi (York West): Mr. Speaker, it is not very often that I rise in my place to compliment the Prime Minister, but today I would like to commend him for the official apology rendered yesterday to the some 700 Canadian citizens of Italian origin who were interned during World War II.