

leadership in the Soviet Union, and that is that the violence and repression that we have seen in recent days is completely unacceptable to Canada, unacceptable to this Parliament and poses a grave risk to relations that we want to pursue and to reforms that we want to encourage in the Soviet Union.

There is a crisis in the Gulf that preoccupies us all. If leaders of the Soviet Union thought that would deflect the attention of Canadians, this Parliament or this government away from the situation of the Baltic peoples, then they were wrong. We are committed to support principles that have been important to Canadians for years and to support peoples whose bravery and determination has won the admiration of all of us.