

will only reach a maximum of about 85,000 to 90,000. Therefore it is intellectually dishonest for the Minister and the Government to go across the country saying that immigration levels are at 115,000 for this year when in fact the people coming to Canada will only number approximately 85,000.

I ask the Minister to ensure, when he announces the targets tomorrow, that they will be attainable by giving appropriate resources and personnel to our consulates across the world.

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TOURISM

PROMOTION OF GREAT LAKES ATTRACTIONS ADVOCATED

Mr. Ken James (Sarnia—Lambton): Mr. Speaker, as a tourism study released earlier this year indicated, Canada possesses a great variety of tourist attractions. My constituency of Sarnia—Lambton on the shores of the Great Lakes has many attractions and diverse activities to offer visitors to our area. The Great Lakes are one of the most beautiful areas in the country and should be touted, for all to hear, as a glorious vacation destination. From a weekend, to a month, to a lifetime, we have attractions which cannot be matched anywhere else in the two North American countries.

I ask the Minister of State for Small Businesses and Tourism (Mr. Valcourt), on behalf of the Government of Canada, to look into beginning co-operative efforts with the U.S. State Governments along the Great Lakes to publicize and promote a co-operative tourism effort.

I serve notice to the Minister that I will be following his progress on this suggestion very closely in the future. A result could very well be the reactivation of the cruise ships plying the Great Lakes and rivers, tying up at Sarnia, Bay City, Windsor, and Port Stanley.

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NATIONAL DEFENCE

CALL FOR HALT TO LOW-LEVEL FLIGHTS—EFFECT ON ENVIRONMENT

Mr. Jim Fulton (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, on page 16 of the first report of the Standing Committee on Environment and Forestry the following recommendation was made to Parliament:

The Minister of National Defence should immediately halt all North Shore and Labrador low-level military air flights and assess the effects of such flights on the environment in these regions, as soon as possible.

There were 24 Members of Parliament who participated in the study—20 Conservatives, 2 Liberals, and 2 New Democrats. The Minister of National Defence (Mr. Beatty) failed to live up to the recommendation in the 120 days since the report was tabled and now publicly refuses to do so.

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The federal environmental assessment review reference is fatally flawed. Its terms of reference only allow for assessing ways of mitigating the impact of low-level flights, not for stopping them if they are unacceptable.

In my view the actions taken to date by the Minister of National Defence show contempt for the Standing Committee, and in particular for those three Newfoundland Members of Parliament who participated in this extensive study. What about the rights of the Innu? Can no one hear their voices?

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TELESAT CANADA

CONTRACT AWARDED FOR NEW GENERATION SATELLITES

Mr. Bill Tupper (Nepean—Carleton): Mr. Speaker, Telesat Canada, which is 50 per cent owned by the federal Government, recently signed a contract with Spar Aerospace Ltd. to build the two most powerful dual-bank satellites ever to serve North America. Telesat will pay Spar \$180.5 million for these new generation satellites known as Anik-E1 and Anik-E2.

The Government assisted Spar in the development of these versatile and reliable satellites with a \$53 million federal grant in August. These satellites are scheduled for completion in 1989, and launch in 1990. This generation of satellites is at the leading edge of current technology and will sell in international markets well into the next century.

The contract also ensures that Telesat Canada will be able to meet the needs of Canadian broadcasters and other telecommunications users for state of the art data, voice, and broadcasting services at very reasonable cost.

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AGRICULTURE

FREE TRADE—POSITION OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS UNION

Mr. Jean-Claude Malépart (Montreal—Sainte-Marie): Mr. Speaker, this morning we had the honour and the privilege of meeting with people from the UPA who represent Quebec farmers. They took a clear stand against the Conservative Government's position on continuing free trade talks.

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Malépart: Mr. Speaker, the Conservative Members are barking again, but I hope they will support the UPA and ask the Conservative Government to take agriculture off the table. Second, Mr. Speaker—