

# HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, October 5, 1989

The House met at 11 a.m.

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*Prayers*

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## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[*English*]

### PETITIONS

#### GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

**Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Government House Leader):** Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 106(8), I have the honour to table, in both official languages, the government's response to petitions Nos 342-0892 and 342-0946.

[*Editor's note: See today's Votes and Proceedings.*]

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### POINT OF ORDER

#### COMMENTS IN COMMITTEE HEARINGS

**Mr. Speaker:** The hon. member for Kamloops on a point of order.

**Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops):** Mr. Speaker, I was noticing that no ministers were rising to make a statement. I must say that as an Albertan by birth, as are many of us, we were offended by the comments made by the chairman of the finance committee in Edmonton. Considering that he is a senior representative of the government I was assuming that a minister of the cabinet would certainly be standing today to apologize for the rude comments.

**Mr. Speaker:** The hon. member from Kamloops rises on a point of order concerning a statement that may or may not have been made. It certainly has been interpreted by the hon. member for Kamloops, as an experi-

enced member of the House, in such a way that he wishes to raise a complaint about it.

I have to ask the hon. member to bear with the Chair. The point has now been raised, but there may be other ways the hon. member would like to follow up on it that are more appropriate than at this time in routine proceedings. I understand the hon. member's position.

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[*Translation*]

### BILL S-2

#### TABLING OF COMMITTEE REPORT

**Mr. Gilles Rocheleau (Hull—Aylmer):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour of tabling, in both official languages, the report of the Legislative Committee on Bill S-2, an Act to implement conventions between Canada and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and Canada and the Polish People's Republic and an agreement between Canada and Papua New Guinea for the avoidance of double taxation with respect to income tax without amendments.

[*English*]

#### ELECTIONS, PRIVILEGES, PROCEDURE AND PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS—FOURTH AND FIFTH REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE

**Mr. Scott Thorkelson (Edmonton—Strathcona):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present the fourth report of the Standing Committee on Elections, Privileges, Procedure and Private Members' Business. This report deems motion No. 441 presented by the member for Western Arctic a votable item.

I also have the honour to present the fifth report of the Standing Committee on Elections, Privileges, Procedure and Private Members' Business. This report would authorize the CBC to broadcast a video tape repeat of the House of Commons proceedings which would allow Canadians to have greater access to Parliament. It is the hope of the committee that we will move for concurrence of this report from the House at a later date.