

## Committee Reports

**The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne):** Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** On division.

Motion agreed to.

**Mr. Doug Lewis (Parliamentary Secretary to Deputy Prime Minister and President of the Privy Council):** Madam Speaker, there have been discussions among the Parties and I think you will find there is unanimous consent to revert to presenting reports from committees for the presentation of a report.

**The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne):** Is there unanimous consent?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

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## RESEARCH, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

## PRESENTATION OF THIRD REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

**Mr. Bill Tupper (Nepean—Carleton):** Madam Speaker, as chairman of the Standing Committee on Research, Science and Technology I have the honour to present in both official languages the third report, to which, pursuant to Standing Order 99(2), the committee requests a comprehensive response.

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

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[Translation]

## PETITIONS

## REQUEST THAT NCC REVIEW THE RENTAL INCREASE FOR LA MAISON D'AMITIÉ

**Mr. Jean-Robert Gauthier (Ottawa—Vanier):** Madam Speaker, I should like once again to table 11 petitions concerning the *Maison d'Amitié*, a home for women and children in distress. In view of the fact that the House will be adjourning later this evening without any concrete action being taken by this Government for the *Maison d'Amitié* or other homes which will have to close once again due to the lack of money, I ask the Government once again to allow the *Maison d'Amitié* to maintain its rent at the nominal fee of \$1 until the implementation of a national policy which would effectively solve the problems met by a million women and children victims of family violence.

The petitioners, Madam Speaker, humbly state that according to a report made public by the Canadian Advisory Committee on the Status of Women one woman out of eight is subjected to psychological, economic, sexual or verbal violence by her spouse. At a time when the Government should act instead of cracking down, the National Capital Commission

intends to raise by more than \$3,000 a month the rent for the *Maison d'Amitié*, the only francophone non-profit organization in the area for women and children in distress.

The Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney), stated recently in the House that the problem of battered women is one of the most serious social and legal challenges facing us today; therefore your petitioners humbly pray and call upon Parliament to urge the National Capital Commission to reverse its decision to raise the rent and to continue, as in the past, charging the symbolic sum of one dollar.

## REQUEST FOR GOVERNMENT CHILD CARE ALLOWANCE FOR HOMEMAKERS

**Mr. Ricardo Lopez (Châteauguay):** Madam Speaker, I should like to present to the House a petition signed by some 1,000 residents of my constituency of Châteauguay. Those residents are asking the Parliament of Canada to grant a child care allowance for homemakers. Indeed, they are asking a small allowance which will not increase the burden of taxpayers but will be reallocated from subsidies to child care centres and from the program to promote the status of women.

[English]

## LOW-LEVEL FLIGHTS AT ARMED FORCES BASE AT GOOSE BAY

**Mr. Dan Heap (Spadina):** Madam Speaker, it is my honour and privilege to present a petition signed by a number of residents of Toronto concerning the low-level flight training of pilots of NATO countries at the NATO Forces Base in Goose Bay, Labrador.

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The petitioners are concerned that this program disrupts the way of life of many of the native people there and that better employment could be found for those native people in their traditional activities or in modern ones such as tourism and mining. They also point out that this activity is a provocative and aggressive war-fighting action which tends to endanger world peace.

Therefore, they petition Parliament to ensure that all low-level flight training at Goose Bay Canadian Forces Base will cease and that negotiations with NATO for the establishment of a larger base there will cease.

This brings to more than 1,170 the number of people who have petitioned Parliament on this matter.

## UNIVERSAL ACCESS TO FAIR ORAL HEARINGS BEFORE REFUGEE BOARD

**Mr. Dan Heap (Spadina):** Madam Speaker, I also have a petition from a number of residents of Toronto with regard to the matter of refugees who have been coming to Canada seeking safety from persecution and finding that our system has been overloaded, broken down, and subject to intolerable delays. They therefore recommend that Parliament adopt the