

concern in view of the limited increase of food production in these countries. The complexity of these problems makes us feel very humble. However, we must have every confidence in the potential of these peoples to ensure their development.

Mr. Speaker, in addition to our obligation to provide rapid assistance to nations struck by natural disasters, I cannot overemphasize the fact that our intervention must also have a long term impact. Instead of providing spectacular assistance to these countries, our challenge must be to help them to take charge of their development and to become responsible for it.

As rightly underlined in the throne speech, we need to support the effective and extremely valid humanitarian work of voluntary organizations. This is what we have already done to help the victims of the drought in Ethiopia and of desert encroachment in Africa. The drive of these voluntary organizations and of all Canadian men and women involved is fantastic and provides a guarantee of efficiency for any Government which decides to rely on them.

Mr. Speaker, I invite the Hon. Members to avoid specious issues in any future discussion on development assistance. In some circles, development assistance is too often opposed to international trade. As I was saying at a meeting of the Dakar Club in Montreal recently Canada intends to work on increasing its economic relations with Africa, while fully aware that private investments and trade relations are as significant in terms of development potential as traditional co-operation projects.

In the same context, Canada must not be ashamed to get involved in other countries in the fields it knows best. I am proud to—

The Address

[English]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): Order, please. It being 5.45 o'clock p.m. it is my duty, pursuant to Standing Order 42(5), to interrupt the proceedings and put forthwith the question necessary to dispose of the main motion. Accordingly, the question is the following one. Mr. James, seconded by Ms. Jacques moves:

That the following address be presented to Her Excellency the Governor General of Canada:

To Her Excellency the Right Honourable Jeanne Sauvé, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada, Chancellor and Principal Companion of the Order of Canada, Chancellor and Commander of the Order of Military Merit, upon whom has been conferred the Canadian Forces' Decoration, Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of Canada.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, Her Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the House of Commons of Canada, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which Your Excellency has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: On division.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): I declare the motion carried.

Hon. Ray Hnatyshyn (Minister of State (Government House Leader)) moved:

That the Address be engrossed and presented to Her Excellency the Governor General by Mr. Speaker.

Motion agreed to.

At 5.48 p.m. the House adjourned.