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The U.S. Secretary of Agriculture stated very clearly during the free trade negotiations that the U.S. Trade Remedy Laws are intact and in the event of a dispute, U.S. law shall prevail.

I call on the government to admit that the Prime Minister's objective under free trade as stated in *Hansard* on page 4146, March 16, 1987, "is to help Canadian farmers by increasing the predictability and security of access of exports from the farm sector" has, in fact, become another broken promise.

This government promised Canadian farmers that the Canada-U.S. Free Trade Agreement offered guaranteed access, not the guaranteed harassment they have received.

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1990 COACHING AWARDS

Mr. Willie Littlechild (Wetaskiwin): Mr. Speaker, last evening, some outstanding Canadians were honoured at the 1990 coaching awards dinner. The dean of coaches, Mr. Jack Donoghue in his remarks referred to Canadian youth as our greatest natural resource, and that we need great coaches for their continued positive development.

I ask this House to join with me and the Minister of Fitness and Amateur Sport in congratulating the coaching award recipients, in particular, four Albertans: Michael Jiranek of Bashaw, who received the Longine-Wittnauer Coaching Excellence Award; Deryk Snelling and Peter Connellan from the University of Calgary for their 3M coaching Canada awards; Mr. Paul Hortie of Edmonton, who sadly passed on before his recognition. However, Mrs. Sylvia Hortie received his award for outstanding contribution to coaching in the sport of boxing.

Thank you as well to TSN for providing turning point scholarships. From this leadership, Sir, Canada will continue with pride to be among the best in the world.

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SOCODEVI

Mr. Marcel R. Tremblay (Québec Est): Mr. Speaker, I wish to take this opportunity to draw the attention of the House to an organization for international co-operation in my riding, the SOCODEVI.

This organization comprises 12 major co-operative institutions in Quebec that wish to promote the use of this formula as a development tool in Third World countries.

SOCODEVI works together with co-operative or pre-co-operative partners in developing countries, by offering technical and financial support to help these partners establish and promote the development of viable organizations, all in a spirit of partnership and mutual co-operation.

The member institutions of SOCODEVI are involved in a variety of sectors, including finance, agro-food, forestry, housing and tourism.

Mr. Speaker, I hope that SOCODEVI will serve as a model for other institutions and that their work will continue to produce the same excellent results we have seen so far.

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IMMIGRATION

Mr. Phillip Edmonston (Chambly): Mr. Speaker, following the demise of Meech Lake, the Tory government failed the first real test of bilateral negotiations with Quebec, namely on the immigration issue.

An administrative agreement on immigration which, according to the Premier and the Prime Ministers, was imminent in June, is now back in limbo after being discussed for more than three years.

Everything with respect to standards had been settled, and funding was almost finalized. A signing session was scheduled by the federal government and then mysteriously cancelled a few months ago.

In view of this new deadlock, Mr. Speaker, today the federal government should have the courage and intellectual honesty to sign this agreement and continue giving Quebec the means to exercise its legitimate and unchallenged responsibility in the field of immigration.

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LEBANON

Mr. Mark Assad (Gatineau—La Lièvre): Mr. Speaker, On October 13, 1990, the Syrian army, supported by Lebanese pro-Syrian leftist militants, launched a simultaneous attack by air and land against a Christian enclave of East Beirut with the pretext of putting an end to the opposition of General Michel Aoun and the agreement