

I have another petition on the same topic. It is signed by 95 employees from Toronto who work at the Eve Footwear Incorporated Shoe Factory in Toronto.

#### FULL INDEXATION OF FAMILY ALLOWANCE

**Mr. Don Boudria (Glengarry-Prescott-Russell):** I have a series of petitions with respect to family allowance which I would like to present to you, Mr. Speaker, very briefly. The first petition is from the town of Rockland and Clarence Creek in the great riding of Glengarry-Prescott-Russell.

I have another petition from the federal constituency of Sudbury. The people there, of course, are so well represented in this House. I have other petitions from the riding of Mississauga South, from Hamilton-Wentworth, Scarborough West, Broadview-Greenwood and the City of Toronto.

[Translation]

The federal riding of Trois-Rivières, the ridings of Champlain, Jonquière, Portneuf in Quebec, Quebec East, Saint-Hyacinthe, but I wonder where are the Members for those ridings, Mr. Speaker. The next and last—

**Mr. Speaker:** Well, that is fine, thank you.

**Mr. Boudria:**—one comes from constituents of Shefford who are so well represented in this House, Mr. Speaker.

[English]

#### USE OF NANOOSE BAY TEST RANGE

**Mr. Stan J. Hovdebo (Prince Albert):** Mr. Speaker, I have a series of petitions to present. The first group requests the House of Commons to not renew the agreement between Canada and the United States of America authorizing the joint meetings with respect to the test range at Nanoose. These come from Edmonton, Alberta and Victoria, Smithers and Parksville, British Columbia.

#### FULL INDEXATION OF FAMILY ALLOWANCE AND REPEAL OF TAX INCREASES

**Mr. Stan J. Hovdebo (Prince Albert):** The second group of petitions deal with family allowances. The signatories are from British Columbia, Ontario and Quebec. The petitioners call upon the House of Commons to reinstate full indexation of universal family allowance and to rescind unfair tax increases.

#### USE OF NANOOSE BAY TEST RANGE

**Mr. Cyril Keeper (Winnipeg North Centre):** Mr. Speaker, I am glad to have the opportunity to present a petition today. I have two petitions dealing with different subjects and I will go through them briefly.

The first petition comes from Nanoose, British Columbia. It deals with the Canadian Forces Maritime Experimental and Test Range which contributes to the nuclear arms race and militarism, causes environmental damage and is of doubtful

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economic value. The petitioners call upon the Government and this House not to renew the agreement between Canada and the United States authorizing the joint maintenance of the said test range, to bring to an end all weapons testing at the said test range and to undertake to convert the said test range to peaceful purposes. That is the first set of petitions.

#### FULL INDEXATION OF FAMILY ALLOWANCE

**Mr. Cyril Keeper (Winnipeg North Centre):** The second set of petitions, Mr. Speaker, deals with family allowances. The petitioners point out that the deindexation of family allowances is an attack on families and children and is unfair in light of the tax breaks which are being given to the rich. They call upon the Government to rescind the deindexation of family allowances and return to a just social policy in this country.

#### FULL INDEXATION OF FAMILY ALLOWANCE AND CHILD TAX CREDIT

**Mr. Neil Young (Beaches):** Mr. Speaker, I have several petitions as well to present from various parts of the country. To expedite matters I will refer to one only. The petitions are from areas in Nova Scotia, British Columbia, Ontario and Saskatchewan. The petitioners state that the deindexation of the universal Family Allowance is an unfair attack on women and families. They further state that this attack will not be offset by changes to the Child Tax Credit and that other tax increases in the May Budget will place an unfair burden on low and middle income earners.

**Mrs. Sheila Finestone (Mount Royal):** Mr. Speaker, I rise to do my humble duty in the name of the constituents of Mount Royal who are quite distressed about the Government cuts and wish to have full indexation restored to the Family Allowance and Child Tax Credit. This budget measure will take away \$55 million in family benefits by 1987.

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[Translation]

And now from the riding of Brome-Missisquoi. Mr. Speaker, I have the honour and the privilege of presenting, on behalf of the constituents of this riding, a request for repeal of the measures aimed at reducing family allowances and the child tax credit which are vitally needed by families with children.

That was from Brome-Missisquoi. And the organization is called: Opération Justice Familles avec enfants.

Mr. Speaker, from the riding of Richelieu, of Saint-Hyacinthe—the riding of our Minister of State for Youth (Mrs. Champagne)—the riding of Dollard, whose Member has been in China for three weeks, and the riding of Etobicoke Centre, and I think the Hon. Member is in the House, the riding of Quebec East, the riding—