# Oral Questions

yesterday. He was misled, like many Canadians in the last election.

Some Hon. Members: Oh. oh!

Mr. Allmand: How can the Minister say this is a good program when in a recent poll only 28 per cent of Canadians approved of it, when only three provinces have signed training agreements with her after one year, and organizations all over the country are criticizing the program? Who approves or supports the program besides the Tory caucus?

Hon. Flora MacDonald (Minister of Employment and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, I know very well that the Hon. Member does not approve of the program. He would like to go back to the old programs which simply qualified people to go back on unemployment insurance. We have changed that. I realize he does not like that change or the fact we are contributing to the creation of more than 600,000 new jobs. I realize he does not like the fact that unemployment is coming down, and that the unemployment rate has dropped 3 per cent from what it was when he was in office.

## ABORIGINAL RIGHTS

POSSIBLE IMPACT OF GOOSE BAY AIRPORT USAGE PROPOSALS

Mr. Jim Manly (Cowichan—Malahat—The Islands): Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the Minister of Indian Affairs my question is directed to the Prime Minister. He has committed himself to protecting the rights of aboriginal people. While the Government proceeds with proposals to have the Goose Bay Airport and military base become a major military training centre for NATO, the interests of the Innu or Montagnais, the aboriginal people in the area, have not yet been taken into account. The Government has known of long-standing Innu complaints about low level flying, its detrimental effects on their environment and economy, indeed their total way of life. Therefore, will the Prime Minister assure the Innu that they will have full participation in impact studies before any decision is made about the future of the base?

Hon. Jake Epp (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, I will take note of that question on behalf of the Minister of Indian Affairs. However, I think the Member should be aware that a process involving FEARO has been announced to check some of the points he has made as well as those made by the native people.

### CONSULTATIVE PROCESS

Mr. Jim Manly (Cowichan—Malahat—The Islands): Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct my supplementary question to the Prime Minister who is responsible for the over-all direction of the Government. I ask him if the consent of the Innu people

will be secured before any decision is made concerning that base which will so vitally affect their total way of life?

Hon. Jake Epp (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, I mentioned the FEARO process. As has been indicated, I should say that the people concerned are going to be very closely consulted. That is necessary so that we know the facts and we can make decisions based on facts. They will be very closely involved in the process, and that assurance I can give him on behalf of the Government.

[Translation]

#### **TOURISM**

PROGRAM TO PROMOTE CANADA IN UNITED STATES— GOVERNMENT POSITION

Mr. Gabriel Fontaine (Lévis): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of State (Tourism).

His Department has launched an advertising campaign directed to the United States to try and sell Canada's tourist potential. Is this investment beginning to yield positive results, and will they be felt in Canada and more particularly in the province of Quebec and, as a priority, in Quebec City which is the only North American city with outstanding fortifications?

[English]

Hon. Jack Murta (Minister of State (Tourism)): Mr. Speaker, last year tourism contributed some \$3 billion to the Province of Quebec. In the first quarter of 1986 it is up by some 13 per cent, or an extra \$100 million. When it comes to tourism, hospitality and marketing are the cornerstones of what we are doing. Canada is doing a marvellous job this year and Quebec is right at the forefront.

Mr. Mazankowski: So is the Minister.

#### **AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY**

IMPORT LIMITATIONS

Mr. Dave Dingwall (Cape Breton—East Richmond): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Acting Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion. The Canadian auto industry is very important to the health of the Canadian economy. In order to ensure that sector continues to grow, is the Minister prepared to extend the existing import limitations on foreign automobile makers, including Korea, until such time as they meet all the provisions of the Auto Pact?

Hon. James Kelleher (Minister for International Trade): Mr. Speaker, I can advise the Hon. Member that we are presently having discussions with Korea and Japan with