

The Bloc leader was not in a position to describe the partnership in such categorical terms, since he knows very well that the separatist blueprint is not realistic and he will find no one to negotiate with.

Quebecers do not wish to see Quebec separate from Canada, they do not wish to see Canada broken apart, and that is why they will vote no on October 30.

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REFERENDUM CAMPAIGN

Mr. Mauril Bélanger (Ottawa—Vanier, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, all Quebecers are becoming increasingly aware that the separatist leaders refuse to talk about the costs of separation. The separatist leaders are attempting to cloak their plans for separation in suppositions, hoping that they can thus slip them by Quebecers.

The leader of the Bloc has even gone so far in that arrogant attitude as to state in an interview with *La Presse* yesterday: "I did not say that there were no risks, I said that there were no costs".

Members of the yes team have even refused to acknowledge the costs associated with separation. They have even refused to talk about them throughout the entire campaign.

On October 30, the people of Quebec will show them that they have not been taken in by this deception, when they vote no to separation.

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Mr. René Laurin (Joliette, BQ): Mr. Speaker, yesterday the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs said that Canadians in the rest of Canada had paid for 80 per cent of federal assets in Quebec. The minister finds it exceedingly complicated for Quebec to retain ownership of federal assets located on Quebec territory after sovereignty.

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Naturally the minister neglected to add that, in fact, Quebec has paid for 23 per cent of federal assets located elsewhere in Canada or abroad. And custom and international law stipulate that federal assets located within Quebec will become the property of Quebecers *ipso facto*. Canada loses nothing in the transaction, as only 17.5 per cent of all federal assets are located in Quebec.

Obviously, Quebec will want to deduct this shortfall from the portion of the federal debt it will assume the day after a yes vote. Once again, the minister has attempted to bend the truth about

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what would happen in a sovereign Quebec the day after October 30.

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JUSTICE SYSTEM

Mrs. Diane Ablonczy (Calgary North, Ref.): Mr. Speaker, Canadians are telling us in no uncertain terms that they want something done about our justice system.

The justice minister talks a good game and keeps throwing out feeble changes to the laws of the land, but where is the enforcement? Strangers move in and occupy land they do not own and nobody touches them. Bikers blow up property, each other, and innocent citizens. Policemen work hard to bring criminals to justice, only to see those same criminals walk out of court with a slap on their wrists and a smirk on their faces.

Law-abiding citizens are fed up. Hundreds will rally tonight with the Reform Party leader at the Civic Auditorium in Oshawa. Reform has a strong, common sense plan to deal with this situation and make public safety the number one priority of our justice system.

The justice minister can either get the message now or voters will talk to him at the ballot box.

I urge the government to listen to what Canadians will be saying tonight in Oshawa.

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Mrs. Pierrette Ringuette—Maltais (Madawaska—Victoria, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, since the beginning of the referendum campaign, Canadian citizenship and the Canadian passport are issues that have been raised repeatedly by the yes side. And almost every time, the separatists try to make us believe that all Quebecers who so wished would be able to keep their Canadian citizenship and their Canadian passport after Quebec's separation.

However, when the PQ's chief negotiator realized that his arguments were no longer convincing anyone, he started to back down, and now he says he will not negotiate the issue of citizenship for Quebecers. Furthermore, the leader of the Bloc is starting to praise the advantages of a Quebec passport. The only passport the separatist leader can guarantee is a passport to the unknown, a one way ticket to separation. On October 30, Quebecers will again confirm their ties with Canada and say no.

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Mr. Francis G. LeBlanc (Cape Breton Highlands—Canso, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, yesterday the Prime Minister of Canada was in Quebec, in his own province, to deliver a very important