

weekend, to lead the fight against pollution. These groups must be committed in a non-partisan way to water quality in our country.

I call on the Minister to display leadership. I believe that throughout the country there is a sense of hope that the Minister will take leadership. Above all, I call for urgency, seriousness and citizen involvement. We must stop trying to pretend that these pollution problems should be covered up in order not to give a bad name to our community. We must become serious and act now with urgency.

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Lewis: Mr. Speaker, there have been discussions with the opposition House Leaders with respect to the possibility of the House returning to tabling of documents so that the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans (Mr. Siddon) can table a document. I believe if you were to seek unanimous consent there might be disposition to allow us to return to that item under Routine Proceedings.

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for that suggestion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

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FOOD AND DRUGS

TABLING OF DOCUMENT RESPECTING QUALITY OF FISH

Hon. Thomas Siddon (Minister of Fisheries and Oceans): Mr. Speaker, in accordance with Standing Order 47(2), I have the honour to table in both official languages a document laying out measures to ensure the quality of Canadian canned fish.

Mr. Speaker: May I inform the House that because of the ministerial statement this day's sitting will be extended by 41 minutes. Therefore, Private Members' Hour will begin at 5.41 p.m.

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[Translation]

PETITIONS

FULL INDEXATION OF FAMILY ALLOWANCE AND CHILD TAX CREDIT

Mr. Keith Penner (Cochrane-Superior): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour of presenting a large number of petitions which concern family allowances. These petitions ask the Government of Canada to reinstate full indexation of family allowances and the child tax credit.

Mr. Speaker, these petitions are from residents in the federal ridings of Richelieu, Shefford, Saint-Hyacinthe-Bagot, Québec East, Lévis, Portneuf, Trois-Rivières, Frontenac,

Petitions

Saint-Maurice, Champlain, Scarborough North, Scarborough West, Etobicoke Centre and the community of Saint-Thomas, and finally, the City of Toronto.

[English]

Hon. Bob Kaplan (York Centre): Mr. Speaker, I too have a petition I wish to table—

[Translation]

—signed by a number of constituents in the riding of Saint-Hyacinthe declaring their support for family allowances and the need to continue these allowances without de-indexing them.

[English]

P.E.I.—NEW BRUNSWICK FERRY SERVICE

Mr. Les Benjamin (Regina West): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition containing seven pages of names of residents from Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The undersigned, your petitioners humbly pray and call upon Parliament to revert the schedule of the ferry service between Borden, Prince Edward Island and Cape Tormentine, New Brunswick to the one that was provided for the winter service of 1984-85.

USE OF NANOOSE BAY TEST RANGE

Ms. Pauline Jewett (New Westminster-Coquitlam): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition signed by residents of British Columbia, Alberta and Ontario expressing their concern that the Canadian Forces Maritime Experimental and Test Range at Nanoose Bay, British Columbia, contributes to the nuclear arms race and militarism in general. They ask the House not to renew the agreement between Canada and the United States authorizing the joint maintenance of the said test range, bringing to an end all weapons testing at the test range and to undertake to convert it to peaceful purposes.

FULL INDEXATION OF FAMILY ALLOWANCE AND REPEAL OF TAX INCREASES

Mr. Benno Friesen (Surrey-White Rock-North Delta): Mr. Speaker, I have a petition signed by Sharon Thomas and Lana Bowey of White Rock. They humbly pray and call upon the House of Commons to reinstate full indexation of universal family allowance and to rescind the unfair tax increases.

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

[Translation]

Mr. Marcel Prud'homme (Saint-Denis): Mr. Speaker, I think everyone is starting to get into the Christmas spirit.

I have the honour of presenting a series of petitions, and I will do as you suggested to the House, which is simply to announce the subject and the ridings, but I would like to name