

because if he checks his facts, he will realize that I was convicted of contempt of court but certainly not for having called a judge to try and influence his court decisions.

**An Hon. Member:** Even if you were right all along!

**Mr. Ouellet:** I would appreciate it if the Minister would remove the erroneous impression he gave of past events.

[English]

**Mr. Mayer:** Mr. Speaker, I would not want to leave the wrong impression on the Hon. Member for correcting what up until now has been my impression of a former sequence of events. I thank him very much for correcting me and I apologize if I have left any wrong impressions.

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## BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

### WEEKLY STATEMENT

**Mr. Gauthier:** Mr. Speaker, I just want to ask the Government to share with us the coming program of legislative measures it intends to put to the House. Before the Prime Minister leaves, I wonder if he could just take under consideration the request we made last week, that given that we are going to be celebrating the 200th anniversary of the French Revolution, the Bicentenary of France, and we did pass a resolution last week congratulating the Americans on their bicentenary, could we have a House order that we do the same thing for the French?

**Mr. Lewis:** Mr. Speaker, my hon. friend made a very useful suggestion earlier this week at the time that we passed the motion to celebrate the bicentenary of the House of Representatives in the United States. We are indeed looking into my hon. friend's suggestion *vis-à-vis* the French Revolution. We will be getting back to the House soon. I wanted to reply directly to that request, Mr. Speaker.

I would point out *vis-à-vis* the work of the House that we have indeed made excellent progress this week with the Bills on the Order Paper. That progress is due to the co-operation of the Opposition Parties and indeed all Members of the House.

### Speaker's Ruling

I would refer the House to the projected order of business, items which we hope to complete by the time the House rises. We would anticipate dealing with those in the order in which they are shown. There may from time to time be adjustments to that order of business and, indeed, additions or deletions which will be worked out with the Opposition Parties.

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## POINT OF ORDER

### SPEAKER'S RULING

**Mr. Speaker:** This morning, as Members will recall, the Hon. member for Trinity—Spadina (Mr. Heap) raised a matter with the Chair asking for clarification as to the time allowed at the closing hour after a closure motion. Hon. Members will remember that as recorded by the Hon. Member for Trinity—Spadina at the hour, the Speaker in the chair at that time rose and apparently the Hon. Member for Trinity—Spadina was trying to send a message, or send a question as to whether or not he could continue because he would still have had 15 minutes of his 20 minutes speaking time.

As I say, I have looked at the *Hansard* record and that does not show up. However, there is an indication that indeed the Hon. Member for Trinity—Spadina did try to ask a question, at least that is what appears on the tape. It would appear that that was not heard by the Chair at that time. The Hon. Member for Trinity—Spadina is asking a narrow but important question, and that is that if something like this does happen again, does the speaker who has the floor have the right to use up the still existing part of his or her 20-minute speech.

I draw the attention of Hon. Members to the Annotated Standing Orders which have been brought out recently, on page 196 in the second paragraph, and I think that this is helpful.

All questions necessary to dispose of the closed business will be put no later than 1.00 a.m. or as soon as possible thereafter, to allow any Member who might have been recognized before 1.00 a.m. to finish speaking. No Member shall be given the floor after 1.00 a.m. to debate the question. When the Speaker interrupts at 1.00 a.m. or shortly thereafter, any bells summoning Members to a recorded division to dispose of the question or questions—

Et cetera.