

find that we are not entirely lily white in this respect. The subclause to which I have referred would give Canadian courts jurisdiction over offences under this Bill which are not committed in Canada but outside of the Canadian territorial jurisdiction. It may require the United Nations or some other international body to examine closely the extraterritorial claims of various nations. I can envision a case in which a corporation or an individual may be caught in between the two—can be fined by one side for not complying with the regulations of another country and vice versa. It may require an international organization to examine the extraterritorial claims of jurisdiction to try to bring some order to what could conceivably become a rather difficult situation.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is the House ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: Question.

Motion agreed to and Bill read the third time and passed.

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[Translation]

INVESTMENT CANADA ACT

MEASURE TO ENACT

The House resumed, from Wednesday, December 12, consideration of the motion of Mr. Stevens that Bill C-15, an Act respecting investment in Canada, be read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Regional Development.

Mrs. Thérèse Killens (Saint-Michel-Ahuntsic): As it is nearly one o'clock, Mr. Speaker, may I call it one o'clock?

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order, please! It being one o'clock, I do now leave the chair until two o'clock.

At 12.56 p.m., the House took recess.

AFTER RECESS

The House resumed at 2 p.m.

STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO S.O. 21

[English]

CANADA POST CORPORATION

SERVICE REDUCTIONS IN PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Mr. George Henderson (Egmont): Mr. Speaker, the Conservative Government recently announced cut-backs to postal services in Prince Edward Island. While the post offices are small, the impact is not.

S.O. 21

I would like to read to this House a letter I received from one concerned Islander. It states, and I quote:

The Victoria Village Council, on behalf of the residents and established businesses of Victoria and the surrounding community, vigorously protest the reduction of working hours of the Victoria post office.

The post mistress, Annie Craig, is a 60-year old widow with no other means of employment. This is her only source of livelihood. It is regrettable that government restraint can deprive people who have worked, raised a family and contributed to the welfare of the province, of maintaining a meagre living.

We trust you will use your influence in this situation and work on our behalf to retain Victoria post office at its present status.

Canada Post also announced cut-backs to the Richmond, Lennox Island, and Miminegash post offices in my riding. Will the next cut-backs take Saturday rural mail delivery away from Prince Edward Island? I hope that the Prime Minister and his Cabinet can assure us that this will not happen.

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THE THIRD WORLD

AMOUNT OF MILITARY EXPENDITURES

Mr. Reg Stackhouse (Scarborough West): Mr. Speaker, a major obstacle to Third World development is military expenditure by both developed and developing countries. Some of the Third World's biggest military spenders are also the smallest achievers in social and economic progress. In 1980, for example, Ethiopia's military expenditures represented 10 per cent of its Gross National Product, its purchases being dominantly from the Soviet Union. Although each developing country has a right to provide for its own defence, it also has an obligation to give priority to its people's human needs.

As an aiding country, Canada can surely help improve this situation. We can review, for example, our own arms exports to the Third World. One estimate puts a \$150 million figure on those shipments. We can also review our own aid policies and persuade assisted countries to limit their military budgets, for example, to perhaps 1 per cent of their Gross National Product. We can, as well, support creating an international arms register that would record the massive arms traffic around the world, including the Third World. Such measures, Mr. Speaker, would not weaken Governments in the Third World. I am confident that they can strengthen their people.

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UNITED NATIONS

CANADIAN VOTE AGAINST NUCLEAR WEAPONS FREEZE RESOLUTION

Ms. Pauline Jewett (New Westminster-Coquitlam): Mr. Speaker, Canadians, and indeed people everywhere, must be greatly disappointed today. Despite the assertion of the Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney) that peace was his dearest wish and that Canada would exert a more creative presence at the United Nations, and despite the assurances of the Secretary of State for External Affairs (Mr. Clark) and the Ambassador