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I would like to urge all members of this House and all Canadians to give generously. I ask them to please remember to sign their donor cards.

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**AIRLINE INDUSTRY**

**Mr. Bill Blaikie (Winnipeg Transcona):** Mr. Speaker, on Monday I met in Winnipeg with representatives of the Air Canada employees' political action committee.

These employees of Air Canada in Winnipeg are rightly concerned about the future of the Canadian airline industry and the long-term effect of permitting American ownership in the Canadian industry.

They do not want to see the export of jobs to the U.S. or the demise of good airline and airline-related jobs in Canada. They believe that control of Canada's airline industry should remain in Canada and that a single Canadian-owned international airline would best be able to compete with other global carriers.

Too often the CAI/Air Canada debate is seen as a Montreal versus Calgary debate. The hundreds of Air Canada employees in Winnipeg are in the west too and they should be listened to. They have the interests of all of Canada at heart.

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**CHILDREN AND HOSPITALS WEEK**

**Mrs. Edna Anderson (Simcoe Centre):** Mr. Speaker, I would like to remind the House that the week of March 21-27 is the 14th annual Children and Hospitals Week, an event sponsored by the Association for the Care of Children's Health. This year's theme is "Commitment to Caring".

During the week programs will be sponsored to increase public, parental and professional knowledge of the special needs of children in the health care system. The week is celebrated by many events that will appeal to and inform both children and adults.

The Association for the Care of Children's Health is a multidisciplinary organization of more than 200 hospitals and organizations, as well as 4,000 health care professionals and parents. For more than 25 years it has worked to promote comprehensive health services for children.

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Please join with me in wishing everyone involved a very successful Children and Hospitals Week.

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**EDUCATION**

**Mr. Ronald J. Duhamel (St. Boniface):** Mr. Speaker, you will know that the government has imposed a 3 per cent tax on student loans. You will also know that it has added an additional six months' interest to student loans. You will know as well that it is proposing to privatize student loans and it may limit access to students to post-secondary education.

But did you know, Mr. Speaker, that right now as we meet today, there are tax collectors out there who are trying to get blood out of a stone? They are trying to get money paid back from students, young men and women sometimes with families, who have limited or no means to pay those loans back.

[Translation]

I want to ask the government to stop this harassment.

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[English]

**PEACEKEEPING**

**Mr. Lee Clark (Brandon—Souris):** Mr. Speaker, 214 Canadian military personnel and approximately 50 civilians are serving, the latter mostly as volunteers, in Cambodia as part of the United Nations Transitional Authority for Cambodia.

These Canadians are serving with distinction in a theatre where danger is a constant companion due to the growing number of land mines, the problems of deadly diseases such as falciparum malaria, the hazards of travel especially by helicopter and the constant possibility of confrontation with hostile military forces.

Thanks to the efforts of the United Nations force including the above-noted Canadians, the general election planned for May 23-25 will in all likelihood occur as scheduled. Regrettably, however, the refusal of the Khmer Rouge to co-operate in the electoral process means those Cambodians who reside in Khmer Rouge controlled territory will not be able to vote.