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Hon. Jake Epp (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, that was a fairly convoluted question. My answer is specific. When the announcement will be made, it will be clear.

FINANCE

SALES TAX CREDIT PROGRAM—REQUEST FOR GREATER PUBLICITY

Mrs. Mary Collins (Capilano): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of National Revenue. Last year the Government introduced an important new program for low-income Canadians, the Sales Tax Credit Program, \$50 for an adult and \$25 for a child. In order to get the credit for 1986, one needs to file an income tax return. The problem is that many Canadians who are eligible for the credit, such as students, seniors, and social welfare recipients do not have enough income to be taxable and do not file income tax returns. What steps is the Minister prepared to take, along with cabinet colleagues, to make sure that all eligible Canadians are aware of this program and do receive the tax credit?

Hon. Elmer M. MacKay (Minister of National Revenue): Mr. Speaker, I do want to thank my colleague for her interest in making certain that eligible Canadians are aware of this very progressive tax measure brought in under the auspices of my colleague, the Minister of Finance. We have received good co-operation from the media in getting out the message. I will be putting out a press release to remind Canadians of this program.

We have a volunteer program which helps Canadians file income tax. They will be asked to stress this measure this year. Any Canadian who neglects to file his or her income tax return and is unable to get the credits this year will be eligible to receive those benefits for the next two years.

Mr. Speaker: I very much regret I cannot recognize any other Member. We are significantly over the time for Question Period. I will try very hard to see the Hon. Member for Montreal—Saint-Marie demain.

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[Translation]

ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES READJUSTMENT

TABLING AND REFERENCE OF REPORT OF COMMISSION— QUEBEC-1987

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. It is my duty, pursuant to Section 9 of the Representation Act, 1985, Chapter 8, Statutes of Canada, 1986, to lay upon the table a certified copy of the

1987 report of the Electoral Boundaries Commission for the Province of Quebec.

Pursuant to the Act, this report is deemed to have been referred to the Standing Committee on Elections, Privileges and Procedure.

JUSTICE

TABLING OF REPORT OF CANADIAN SENTENCING COMMISSION—SENTENCING REFORM-A CANADIAN APPROACH

Hon. Ray Hnatyshyn (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada): Mr. Speaker, as Minister of Justice I am pleased to table, in both official languages, the report of the Canadian Sentencing Commission on sentencing entitled Sentencing Reform-A Canadian Approach.

[English]

CANADA DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT CORPORATION

TABLING OF SUMMARY OF 1987 CORPORATE PLAN AND CAPITAL BUDGET

Hon. Barbara McDougall (Minister of State (Privatization)): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 67, I have the honour to table in both official languages, the summary of the 1987 corporate plan and capital budget of the Canada Development Investment Corporation.

[Translation]

INTERPARLIAMENTARY DELEGATIONS

TABLING OF REPORT OF THE INTERPARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Ms. Carole Jacques (Montreal—Mercier): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 101, I have the privilege of tabling, in both official languages, the report of the Canadian Parliamentary Delegation that took part in the work of the *ad hoc* committee responsible for evaluating the implementation of the recommendations of the Interparliamentary Conference on the Environment, held in Nairobi, Kenya, from February 23 to February 25, 1987.