

*Point of Order—Mr. Shields*

**Mr. Crosbie:** Just listen. That could result in Canada having to increase its exports during a period of critical oil shortage. However, the free trade agreement only calls, if there is an emergency, for proportion sharing of reductions. So it is completely untrue. It is false. It is not true. There is not an ounce of truth in it. The Hon. Member is completely misled and, what is more, does not want to listen.

**Mr. Althouse:** You just confirmed it; you should have listened to the question.

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## POINT OF ORDER

## WITHDRAWAL OF COMMENT DURING QUESTION PERIOD

**Mr. Jack Shields (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources):** Mr. Speaker, I have too much respect for this House and the Members sitting in this House to allow an unparliamentary remark that I made during Question Period to stay on the record. I wish to withdraw.

Having said that, I would like to point out to the Hon. Member for Ottawa—Vanier (Mr. Gauthier) that his accusation about me in this House during his preamble is absolutely not true. I would certainly accept his apology for that accusation.

**Some Hon. Members:** That is debate.

**Some Hon. Members:** Withdraw!

**Mr. McDermid:** You made an accusation that is totally wrong.

**Some Hon. Members:** Withdraw!

**Mr. Speaker:** I want to thank the Hon. Member. I also want to say to the Hon. Member for Athabasca that I took it that he had in fact withdrawn some minutes ago. I appreciate very much his comment.

**Miss MacDonald:** But Gauthier did not withdraw.

● (1510)

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[Translation]

## EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

## TABLING OF CODE OF ETHICS FOR CANADIAN ENTERPRISES IN SOUTH AFRICA

**Mr. Jean-Guy Hudon (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State for External Affairs):** Mr. Speaker, pursuant to

Standing Order 67(2), I wish to table in both official languages, the code of ethics for Canadian companies in South Africa.

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[English]

## PETITIONS

## GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

**Hon. Doug Lewis (Minister of State and Minister of State (Treasury Board)):** Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 106(8), I have the honour to table, in both official languages, the Government's response to 21 petitions, Nos. 332-4653, 332-4655 to 332-4664 inclusive, 332-4666, 332-4667, 332-4680 to 332-4686 inclusive and 332-4692.

While I have the floor, I would move:

That this House do now proceed to Orders of the Day.

**Mr. Speaker:** The House has heard the terms of the motion. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some Hon. Members:** No.

**Mr. Speaker:** All those in favour of the motion please say yea.

**Some Hon. Members:** Yea.

**Mr. Speaker:** All those opposed to the motion please say nay.

**Some Hon. Members:** Nay.

**Some Hon. Members:** On division.

**Mr. Speaker:** I declare the motion carried.

**Mr. Gray (Windsor West):** Mr. Speaker, it is my understanding that the Deputy Government House Leader had in mind presenting a motion with respect to the votes that will be taken at 5.45 p.m. and thereafter today. Has he abandoned that idea or does he intend to proceed?

**Mr. Lewis:** I have not abandoned the idea. I thought once the Table had called Orders of the Day and immediately prior to the ruling by the Speaker on the acceptability of the motions, I would place this motion so that everybody would know where they stood.

**Mr. Riis:** Mr. Speaker, I would like to seek some clarification. We have received communiqués from a number of government Departments today saying that there would be a call for the production of papers during Routine Proceedings. We have been expecting to discuss that and yet it seems that the Government has decided to move directly to Orders of the