

each and every one of us through his avid reading of *Hansard*. Senator Sullivan, on noticing my motion, called me on a couple of occasions, and I would like to thank him for leaving me with several worthwhile thoughts and ideas, all of which I have included in my remarks.

In conclusion, I should like to deal briefly with some comments in connection with the athletes. It is regrettable that the Chairman of the Canadian Olympic Committee sees fit to "oppose the government in its efforts toward worldwide peace. After having read some statements by Mr. Pound today, I have only one comment to make, and that is that other countries have, in the name of freedom, asked their youth to make greater sacrifices than the foregoing of a series of Games.

Having said that, I do believe that efforts ought to be made to provide another forum for appropriate competition. The hundreds and, indeed, thousands of hours spent in preparation should not be wasted. Canada should lead the campaign for alternative Games to allow for competition between all of the boycotting countries. We might call them the "1980 Freedom Games." As I understand our Prime Minister, we were not able to be a leader in the boycott movement; but certainly we could be a leader in the movement to provide an alternative set of Games. This would be a real opportunity for us in the international arena and, what is perhaps more important, a step in the direction of Canada's national unity. All across this great country of ours we have facilities such as Edmonton's Commonwealth Games Stadium, Winnipeg's Pan Am Pool, and the Montreal Olympic Stadium, all of which could form an important network for the staging of international competitions this summer.

We all know that the Olympics are a media event. That being so, I do not see why it is necessary to have all the athletes in one place. The television cameras can put them all in one place at a given time. We see this constantly when, during one hockey game, we have highlights of a game played in another city. I do not see why Canada as a nation should not offer these various sites for such Games. It would be great for our national unity, it seems to me, as well as showing the rest of the world that we are sticking together.

Honourable senators, in asking our athletes to make the sacrifice of not going to Moscow, we owe them the effort to bring about alternative Games. The Olympic boycott is a non-military weapon of significant impact, endorsed by the Olympic Trust, endorsed by a free vote in the legislative assembly of our most populous province, and one which I sincerely congratulate our government for implementing.

On motion of Senator Frith, for Senator Haidasz, debate adjourned.

DOCUMENTS TABLED

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Government), with leave, tabled:

Report of the Commission to Review Salaries and Allowances of Members of Parliament and Senators (Mr. Alfred D. Hales, Commissioner), appointed in accordance with the terms of Order in Council P.C. 1979-2167, dated August 9, 1979.

The Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 2 p.m.