

since the investigation soon moved from the forensic to the judicial phase, it did not lend itself to Canadian technical intervention. No recommendation for further action was submitted to the RCMP.

[English]

I ask that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

[Translation]

Madam Deputy Speaker: The questions as enumerated by the hon. parliamentary secretary have been answered. Shall the other questions be allowed to stand?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

[English]

Mr. Harvey (Edmonton East): Madam Speaker, do the questions that are held now, if we do in fact prorogue today or at least at some point before we next sit and consider this matter simply disappear or do they carry over to the next session?

Madam Deputy Speaker: No, the questions would have to be resubmitted if we begin a new session of Parliament.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

HOUSE OF COMMONS

SPRING ADJOURNMENT

The House resumed consideration of the motion of Mr. Andre (p. 19433).

Hon. Chas. L. Caccia (Davenport): Madam Speaker, there was one specific passage in the parliamentary secretary's speech with which I agreed. That was when he referred briefly to the necessity of being prepared for what is coming. That is the way he put it in his speech.

It seems to me that he has a point because he and his colleagues in the Progressive Conservative Party should be prepared for what is coming, particularly in the province of Alberta where there is a surprise in store for the Progressive Conservative Party.

Government Orders

It is no great political secret that should an election take place today the government party would be really lucky if it were to be able even to form the Official Opposition. The parliamentary secretary is quite right in urging in his speech to prepare for what is coming.

As to what we may charitably call the analysis he made, he seemed to be reporting from another planet. It was a report of a situation that from this side of the House we see in completely different terms. Let me explain. If we had not just returned from an Easter recess one would understand, perhaps, the necessity of calling an adjournment. We have just come back from one and I suppose Canadians will be wondering why all of a sudden another recess is necessary.

I do not think Canadians would object and we certainly support the idea of adjourning today and starting a new session next week with a Speech from the Throne because the public business and interest requires that this Parliament be active, be present, be alert and extract during Question Period from the government the information that the public eventually learns from the media the following day.

We are adjourning at a time when the country is in deep trouble because of high unemployment, 1.4 million people are unemployed. There is dissatisfaction in Quebec and in the west. There is understandable unrest among native people in Oka, the James Bay region, Alberta and British Columbia. There is rampant dissatisfaction among civil servants who are overworked, understaffed, and economically straitjacketed by this government, with an increasingly frustrated public facing ever-shrinking government services.

We are in trouble with workers in industrial Canada living in anxiety about the uncertainty of the future. We are in trouble because of growing cynicism with a political party whose record is a long, long list of unkept promises. That fact also has an impact on the credibility of the entire political institution no matter the party to which you belong.

We are in trouble because of foreign competition. We are in trouble because our productivity does not seem to be keeping up with that of other nations. We are in trouble because of poor leadership. We are in trouble because of this government's privatization of publicly-owned assets. I must remind you of the situation of de