

According to the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority, 36 tonnes of depleted uranium was left on the battlefields after the gulf war.

Canada's policy states that uranium exports must be for peaceful purposes only. Treaty Series 1980 No. 13 states that no amount of Canadian uranium sold to the U.S. can be used for any military purpose. These shipments, therefore, are violations of this treaty and of Canada's official policy.

If the federal government cannot keep Canadian uranium out of deadly U.S. weaponry, then it should leave the uranium in the ground.

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[Translation]

#### THE MEMBER FOR SKEENA

**Mr. Guy Saint-Julien (Abitibi):** Mr. Speaker, I am just back from Abitibi, where the workers are angry about the statement made by the New Democratic Party of Canada's environment critic, the member for Skeena, who in a video broadcast in the United States said that Americans should not buy electricity produced by the Great Whale River project because there is "blood on it".

In the video, this NDP member from British Columbia never once spoke of the caribou blood in the past two years in the United States. He targets Quebec's hydro-electric projects and not those of his home province.

For several years now caribou hunting has been permitted in James Bay and hunters come from Quebec, the United States and British Columbia as well. Moreover, hunting caribou is allowed in the Yukon.

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[English]

#### SALMAN RUSHDIE

**Mrs. Christine Stewart (Northumberland):** Mr. Speaker, we have just passed the fourth anniversary of Iran's *fatwah*, the call for the murder of Salman Rushdie for writing the novel, *The Satanic Verses*.

Yesterday Iran's Ayatollah Ali Khomeini ruled out any reversal of the *fatwah* stating "the verdict must be carried out and will be carried out". In November Iran's

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chief justice stated that all Muslims were obliged to kill Rushdie. The State of Iran condones this murder call.

Canada, for its part, carries on business with Iran as usual. Canada's diplomatic relations with and scoldings of Iranian authorities do not convey our abhorrence of the *fatwah*. Our line of credit to Iran, subsidized by Canadian tax dollars, is totally hypocritical and must be suspended.

Surely this absolute rejection of freedom of speech by the Government of Iran is more than just an embarrassment to the Canadian government. Or are we just waiting for Salman Rushdie to die?

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#### YUGOSLAVIA

**Mr. Bill Casey (Cumberland—Colchester):** I have just returned from a trip to the former republics of Yugoslavia with a delegation of representatives from the United States, Great Britain, France, Austria, Germany and the Netherlands.

I am pleased and proud to report that of all the countries represented I was the only MP who met others from my own country carrying out peacekeeping and peace-making missions in the area.

I would like to say a special thank you to Mr. Philipp Hahn, a Canadian representative with the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe. He was an excellent contact and provided objective briefings and assisted me above and beyond the call of duty while in Kosovo.

I would also like to acknowledge a platoon of Canadian peacekeepers led by Master Corporal Charles Ingraham from Baddeck, Nova Scotia, which is stationed at the border between Serbia and Macedonia where the purpose is to monitor the UN sanctions.

Mr. Speaker, it makes you proud to be a Canadian and be over there to see our men at work peacekeeping and peacemaking.

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#### LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION

**Mr. Sergio Marchi (York West):** Mr. Speaker, the economy continues to ravage the lives of Canadian workers and their families and regrettably the Conservative government refuses to change course.