

THE SENATE

Wednesday, June 1, 1988

The Senate met at 2 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.
Prayers.

TOBACCO PRODUCTS CONTROL BILL

FIRST READING

The **Hon. the Speaker** informed the Senate that a message had been received from the House of Commons with Bill C-51, to prohibit the advertising and promotion and respecting the labelling and monitoring of tobacco products.

Bill read first time.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the second time?

On motion of Senator Doody, bill placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading on Tuesday next, June 7, 1988.

[Translation]

NON-SMOKERS' HEALTH BILL

FIRST READING

The **Hon. the Speaker** informed the Senate that a message had been received from the House of Commons with Bill C-204, an Act to regulate smoking in the federal workplace and on common carriers and to amend the Hazardous Products Act in relation to cigarette advertising.

Bill read first time.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the second time?

On motion of Senator Haidasz, bill placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading on Tuesday, June 7, 1988.

[English]

"SOME OF MY BEST FRIENDS DIDN'T LOOK LIKE ME"

NOTICE OF INQUIRY

Hon. Philippe Deane Gigantès: Honourable senators, I give notice that on Tuesday next, June 7, I will call the attention of the Senate to the question, "Some of my best friends didn't look like me."

REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGY

NEED FOR ROYAL COMMISSION—NOTICE OF INQUIRY

Hon. Mira Spivak: Honourable senators, I give notice that on Thursday next, June 9, 1988, I will draw the attention of

the Senate to the need for a Royal Commission on Reproductive Technology.

QUESTION PERIOD

BRITISH COLUMBIA

SOUTH MORESBY—ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL PARK— BREAKDOWN IN NEGOTIATIONS

Hon. Len Marchand: Honourable senators, I have a question for the Leader of the Government in the Senate.

I am most disturbed about the stories concerning the breakdown in the talks relating to setting aside South Moresby Island as a park. Can the Leader of the Government in the Senate enlighten us as to what the real facts are behind this breakdown?

Hon. Lowell Murray (Leader of the Government and Minister of State for Federal-Provincial Relations): Honourable senators, I am not sure I can add much to what my friend already knows.

A memorandum of agreement was signed last July by the Prime Minister and the Premier of British Columbia containing a federal commitment of \$106 million towards the establishment of a national park at South Moresby, including a \$50 million regional development initiative for the Queen Charlotte Islands. At the moment there appears to be some reluctance on the part of the government of the province of British Columbia to follow through. As Mr. Mazankowski said recently, that government has had some second thoughts and we are now trying to resolve this matter as between the two governments.

Senator Marchand: Are talks going on now? As the Minister of State for Federal-Provincial Relations, is the Leader of the Government in the Senate also involved in those talks?

Senator Murray: Honourable senators, as in so many federal-provincial dossiers, I am not conducting these discussions personally, but I am aware that within the past 24 hours there have been contacts between representatives of the federal government and of the provincial government and those discussions are continuing.

Senator Marchand: Since I have a keen interest in this matter, would the minister be good enough to send me, at some point, a note on all the issues involved and just where they stand? I hope every effort is being made to set aside this beautiful piece of the world as a heritage site in a manner that