

Routine Proceedings

to maintain the existing VIA network, upgrade VIA equipment, and guarantee VIA sufficient support to carry out its passenger service mandate.

Mr. Dan Heap (Trinity—Spadina): Mr. Speaker, I have a petition from a number of Canadians resident in Toronto, Hamilton, Stratford, Kitchener, Stoney Creek, Sudbury, London, St. Thomas, Etobicoke, Ingersoll, Woodstock, Windsor, Oakville, Wheatly, Leamington, Wallenburg, and points west, asking that the government cancel its plans for cancelling VIA, modernize the equipment and build a high speed passenger train between Montreal and Windsor. As in duty, your petitioners will ever pray.

PROPOSED GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

Mr. Jack Iyerak Anawak (Nunatsiak):

[Editor's Note: Member spoke in Inuktitut.]

I have the honour of presenting a petition signed by residents of Clyde River, pursuant to Standing Order 36, objecting to the proposed GST which was so eloquently defined by the member for Mississauga South as the "gouging and screwing" tax.

EXTRADITION

Mr. Scott Thorkelson (Edmonton—Strathcona): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour of presenting today, pursuant to Standing Order 36, 2,279 signatures of people calling for a shortening of the extradition process. This brings the amount that I have presented in the House to well over 10,000 with almost 100,000 signatures of people across Canada calling for a shortening of the extradition process.

PROPOSED GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

Mr. Don Boudria (Glengarry—Prescott—Russell): Mr. Speaker, I have a petition here signed by 300 citizens of the great riding of Glengarry—Prescott—Russell from such magnificent communities as Wendover, Rockland, St. Paschal and other fine places in my riding. The petitioners are objecting to the GST, the grief and suffering tax which will be imposed on my constituents with the recent proposal of the Conservative government, and they are indicating that this GST is inappropriate.

DAIRY INDUSTRY

Mr. Don Boudria (Glengarry—Prescott—Russell): Mr. Speaker, I also wish to present a petition on behalf

of dairy producers in my riding who are quite alarmed by the fact that this government has been weak kneed at the GATT in presenting the views of Canadian dairy farmers.

RIGHTS OF THE UNBORN

Mr. Ross Belsher (Fraser Valley East): Mr. Speaker, it is my duty and honour to present on behalf of several hundreds of people in British Columbia two groups of petitions. The petitioners ask the government and humbly pray and call upon Parliament to formulate and legislate a law to protect life from conception, a law which seeks to save the life of both mother and child, which I heartily endorse.

CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD

Mr. Len Taylor (The Battlefords—Meadow Lake): Mr. Speaker, I have the pleasure today to present a petition, certified by the Clerk of Petitions to be correct, on behalf of Saskatchewan residents from Luseland, Strassbourg and Weyburn, Saskatchewan. The petition protests the removal of oats from the marketing jurisdiction of the Canadian Wheat Board. It calls upon the government not to remove oats from the jurisdiction and to place oats and barley under the Canadian Wheat Board Act so that in future farmers and their organizations must be consulted before changes are made in the marketing of these products.

PROPOSED GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

Mr. Rey Pagtakhan (Winnipeg North): Mr. Speaker, I am privileged to rise and present five petitions signed by over 150 constituents of Winnipeg North. They feel that the proposed goods and services tax will truly impose great suffering and grief on them and that the tax will gouge and squeeze them. Hence, they pray that Parliament will reject the proposed goods and services tax.

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FISHERIES

Ms. Catherine Callbeck (Malpeque): Mr. Speaker, it is my honour today to table a petition signed by many of my constituents. These people realize that there is a crisis in the Atlantic fishery, that the livelihood of tens of thousands of Atlantic fishermen and plant workers is in jeopardy and that the whole fishing industry is in grave danger.

These constituents call upon Parliament to request the government to extend its jurisdiction to the very edge of Canada's continental shelf so that Canada can protect