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These are good proposals. They include an independent commission and the responsibility to report findings and corrective measures back to the worker involved. Make sure the investigation is done by an employee of the commission, not some other nebulous person. It would be a tremendous step forward to ensuring that harassment in a workplace ceases.

Mr. Speaker: It being two o'clock p.m. the House will now proceed to Statements by Members, pursuant to Standing Order 31.

The University of Guelph Centre for Toxicology has tested these products and found them to be totally safe to humans and the environment.

Just a few years ago, up to 5 million chemical containers were used on farms annually. Today, in some parts of the country, up to 80 per cent of these are being returned by farmers to the sites for recycling.

This week collection sites are being set up in the maritimes and Quebec. Through the efforts of farmers and the Crop Protection Institute, what was once a disposal problem has been turned into an environmentally and economically viable solution.

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STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO S. O. 31

[Translation]

MULTICULTURALISM

Mr. Marcel R. Tremblay (Québec-Est): Mr. Speaker, the Royal Bank of Canada recently published a special newsletter issue on Canada's 125th anniversary. It says that Canada has become what is called the first international nation in the world and that this remarkable cultural diversity should be viewed as a source of strength and national pride.

I am in complete agreement with that and urge the members of this House to keep working at making this cultural mosaic even better by making full use of the varied resources at our disposal. Canada is a country where every one has the right and the duty to make their difference known.

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[English]

PESTICIDE CONTAINER RECYCLING

Mr. Lyle Vanclief (Prince Edward-Hastings): Mr. Speaker, Canadian farmers in co-operation with agricultural companies, the Crop Protection Institute, federal and provincial governments and rural municipalities are speaking with action to promote environmental stewardship of the land.

One excellent example is a program where farmers bring their used pesticide containers to collection sites where they are recycled into products such as fence posts and reinforcing bars.

CANADIAN OLYMPIC COINS

Mr. Don Blenkarn (Mississauga South): Mr. Speaker, in 1976 the Government of Canada to finance the Montreal Olympics issued \$5 and \$10 coins. These coins were guaranteed to be worth everything one paid for them, were always to be a good investment and were certified to be worth their face value.

The profit on the coins was retained by the government and the surplus earned on the sale of the coins was turned over to finance the games.

Again in 1988 in Calgary, the government did the same thing. The government issued \$10 and \$20 silver coins. The promise was the same. The coins would always be worth their face value.

These coins cannot be cashed. No one will cash them. Coin dealers will give 50 cents on the \$1 for these coins. I suggest that something be done to honour Canada's reputation before our coinage becomes worthless.

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CANADA 125 CELEBRATIONS

Ms. Beth Phinney (Hamilton Mountain): Mr. Speaker, it is exciting to see that so many Canadians are in the mood to celebrate Canada's 125th birthday next week.

In my riding of Hamilton Mountain, a Canada 125 party I recently hosted was attended by more than 500 people.

This is a great country and we have much to celebrate.

One thing has puzzled and disturbed me and many of my constituents who have heard the song *Listen to the Land*, which has been chosen as the Canada 125 song. The song is very pretty but the lyrics do not contain the