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certainly is not the philosophy of the Tory Government. As it goes about establishing its policies on immigration, for example, it emphasizes that the welcome mat is out for those who have money to invest. Let the rich come. Our doors are thrown open. Let those who can invest mightily in our nation come here. That is the kind of person the Tory Government has in mind to populate and enrich this land. There is nothing wrong with inviting the rich, but there is not a comparable call to the poor, to the refugee. In fact, the policy of bringing to this country those related to those already here, the policy of reuniting families, is not part of the philosophy of the Tory immigration policy.

When I think of how the Tories are going to spend this money they want to borrow, I know they will certainly want to spend it to publish advertisements throughout the world to entice the rich to come here and invest. Perhaps Mr. Marcos might be a good candidate. He would have lots of money to invest. People of that type, after all, have money and would fulfil the qualifications. However, I think there are other things which indicate how hungry the Tories are for money. They have also increased citizenship charges. If you want to become a citizen it is going to cost you more. Of course, under Tory philosophy that is good because it means those who are successful become Canadians. Those who are not will have to wait a little longer. After all, financial success is how you judge people according to Tory philosophy. Of course, if you want to come over or have your friends and relatives come over, visas cost money, a great deal more money. Tories make sure there are user-fees. They want to make sure those who can afford it come over, and those who do not have a lot of money to spend will be discouraged. We really want to reach out for the wealthy. We certainly do not have a Statue of Liberty philosophy on the subject of immigration.

I cite that as just one example of the kind of philosophy which underlines the Tories' approach to spending this money. Let us go to another example, that of multiculturalism. You only have to look at an article in one of today's newspapers written by Margaret Polanyi entitled "Multicultural Groups Feel Threatened". They feel threatened by the policies of this Tory Government towards multiculturalism. Right at the present time there is, as is described in this article—I am not using some kind of pejorative term. He quotes:

—a slick conference on multiculturalism and business opening today in Toronto—

So nearly everything the Tories are doing is related to business. Talk about immigration, it is whether or not you are going to get businessmen over here. Talk about multiculturalism, it is whether or not it is business in multiculturalism. Everything ends up with the dollar figure. It certainly is not a nation that is throwing open its doors to the needs of humanity. It is a nation that is throwing open its doors for its bank vaults. That is the philosophy upon which this nation is now being reorganized.

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What does this article say? Well, it says:

A group of community organizations, representing 208 groups in Canada, is banding together today to voice its opposition to announcements of possible policy changes on multiculturalism.

It is based on this conference. It goes on to point out as follows:

Most of the organizations that came together are under funded, so that when an additional freeze or reduction is added to this existing under-funding problem, then it leads to quite a precarious situation.

The following is in quotation marks and it says:

"Brian Conway of the Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants in an interview.

Now, that gives us an idea of what the inclination of the Government is as perceived by the multicultural groups. The article goes on to say that the new direction will hurt many at the expense of a few ethnic entrepreneurs who have already established themselves. Again it is the entrepreneurs who will get the assistance and the attention. It is the multicultural entrepreneurs, the guys with the money who are going to be our new multicultural direction. We are expanding to reach out for them with our hands of love.

So this leads me to Daiva Stasiulis, Professor of Race and Ethnic Relations at Carleton University in Ottawa, who said:

To have this emergent theme, which tries to confirm this connection between ethnicity and profit—

And that is spelled p-r-o-f-i-t, Mr. Speaker.

—sits uneasily beside current efforts to reduce ethnic inequality and racism.

The professor continues:

I think it's going to hurt the least advantaged segments of the community. I think it's probably going to be done at the expense of crucial concerns like fighting racism.

Yes, Mr. Speaker, we are going to borrow money for the Government of Canada to carry out more of these unenlightened policies which give encouragement to the entrepreneurs and the rich, and which discriminate against the weak and the poor. It is going to cost more money to come to this country. Only the rich really have the welcome mat laid out for them. It costs more money to get a visa, and it costs more money to become a citizen of Canada. That is a tragic retrogressive direction this country is taking under the Tory Government. If we see these policies now in immigration and we see these policies now reflected also in the multicultural policies of this Government, we have to say that we find them, in fact, in almost every area of concern.

The third area where there is one of the most tragic repercussions of this unenlightened policy of the Government is what this policy is doing to the young people. It is the priority of this Government to see that banks can be bailed out, that capital gains of \$500,000 can be given to those who have that kind of money to invest for themselves, that there is more money for armaments and the armament makers, and there is plenty of incentive to bring over the Thiessen Company to Cape Breton Island to manufacture armaments which