

2,000 students demonstrating in St. John's, Newfoundland, understand this government's policies very well.

On February 9 the Minister of Employment and Immigration told this House that the student employment program will remain "regionally sensitive in areas where there is higher unemployment among students." The truth of the matter is these cut-backs will affect precisely those areas where unemployment is at its highest. At a time when the government is pushing Canada even closer—

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): The hon. member will please put the question.

Ms. Guarnieri:—does the minister not think it unfair to make students the cannon fodder of a misguided poorly planned policy and how can this government treat students in the poorer regions of this country with such callous disregard?

Some hon. members: Hear, hear!

Hon. Marcel Danis (Minister of State (Youth) and Minister of State (Fitness and Amateur Sport) and Deputy Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Mr. Speaker, the member says that we are not sensitive to those areas of the country where students have the most problems. I would tell her that SEED money, which is what she was referring to, has been shifted to areas where the need exists the most, such as the example that she has given, Newfoundland. In 1988 they received a 90 per cent increase in SEED funds. There will be increases, not decreases. On top of that the unemployment rate for students has been reduced by more than five points since this government came into office.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

TABLING OF REPORT RESPECTING E. HERBERT NORMAN

Right Hon. Joe Clark (Secretary of State for External Affairs): Mr. Speaker, I rise today to table, in both official languages, an independent report commissioned by the Department of External Affairs on the loyalties of former Canadian diplomat E. Herbert Norman.

Routine Proceedings

This report was prepared by Professor Peyton Lyon, a prominent Canadian political scientist. Hon. members will recall that his terms of reference were explained in this House last January 25 during Private Members' Business.

Its conclusions, insofar as they relate to Mr. Norman's loyalty to Canada, are unequivocal and should lay to rest any lingering doubts. They confirm that as a distinguished Canadian public servant, Herbert Norman acted consistently in loyalty to Canada.

The views expressed in this report and the methodology employed are entirely those of Professor Lyon.

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PETITIONS

GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Government House Leader): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36(8) I have the honour to table, in both official languages, the government responses to 137 separate petitions.

[Editor's Note: See today's Votes and Proceedings.]

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COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE

AUTHORITY TO BROADCAST

Hon. Harvie Andre (Minister of State and Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Mr. Speaker, discussions have been held respecting the following motion. I think you will find there is agreement to the following motion:

Further to the order of the House made on Wednesday, March 28, 1990, respecting the plenary session and joint sessions of standing committees on the subject of global climate change, televised broadcasting of the sessions of the forum be authorized and that such broadcasting be according to established House of Commons principles and practices and the expenses of the forum be met from the block of funds assigned to the liaison committee for standing committee activities.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): Does the hon. minister have the unanimous consent of the House to move the motion?

Some hon. members: Agreed.