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maps of Canada which appear on pages 5519 and 5520 of the official report of this day.

Mr. Speaker, these maps, which are supposed to illustrate the Canadian coast guard regions and districts and the Canadian air transportation administration regions are incomplete and inaccurate. As a matter of fact, there is an important part of my constituency, the Magdalen Islands, missing on both maps, which gives the impression that this important part of the Gulf of St. Lawrence is not or is no longer part of Canada. In view of this gap, Mr. Speaker, I cannot help thinking that it is not surprising that the approval of the Magdalen Islands airport facilities should take so long. The Magdalen Islands are not even shown on the maps of the Department of Transport.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I ask the government to abandon this practice of publishing incomplete maps which do not reflect the Canadian reality and furthermore, which could give a false image of our country and inconvenience its people.

[English]

**Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Transport):** Mr. Speaker, I thank the hon. member for bringing this matter to my attention, and I will look into it.

**Mr. Muir:** Mr. Speaker, I would like to rise on a point of order. I have served in this chamber under Mr. Speaker Michener, Mr. Speaker Lambert, Mr. Speaker Macnaughton, Mr. Speaker Lamoureux, and Your Honour. It seems that I have great difficulty being seen by Your Honour. I do not know whether I have grown smaller, or what it is.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. Before the hon. member proceeds, he should be aware that I extended the question period five minutes today to try, if possible, to recognize all hon. members who were seeking to be recognized. The last three members of the official opposition I wanted to recognize, if possible, were the hon. member, the hon. member for Surrey-White Rock, and the hon. member for Wellington-Grey-Dufferin-Waterloo. The hon. member for Wellington-Grey-Dufferin-Waterloo was recognized yesterday. The hon. member for Cape Breton-The Sydneys was recognized the day before, and the hon. member for Surrey-White Rock had not been recognized for several days. Therefore, between the three of them I gave those last three minutes to the hon. member for Surrey-White Rock.

Had there been another couple of minutes—I extended the question period five minutes, in any event—I would have recognized the hon. member, and had there been even more time I would have tried to recognize everybody today by recognizing also the hon. member for Wellington-Grey-Dufferin-Waterloo. Once the hon. member for Surrey-White Rock took the clock to five minutes past twelve, I thought there was very little more I could do.

**Mr. Muir:** If Your Honour had been good enough to hear me out before making a decision, Your Honour would have heard what I was going to say. It is quite true that I was recognized the other day. I tried to ask a supplementary

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question, but I was refused. Several others following me asked not one supplementary but perhaps two. If Your Honour will check the record, Your Honour will find that at no time in this House have I ever abused the rules, nor have I been reprimanded by a Speaker of this House. All I want is my fair share, and for Your Honour's information, I do not feel I am getting my fair share. We all got here the same way. I was sent by my people. There are matters I have to raise, and I hope in future that Your Honour will give me more recognition.

I do not want any more privileges than anyone else, just equal rights. I had to raise this question previously, and if Your Honour would check *Hansard*, Your Honour would learn how many times I have been recognized since the session started and, indeed, prior to that. I hope Your Honour will give some consideration to this matter.

**Mr. Speaker:** The hon. member will also realize that on a regional basis today the hon. member for Halifax-East Hants and the hon. member for South Shore, both from the eastern region, were recognized. I have always tried to balance off in any one question period the various regions of the country. Considering the number of hon. members from that region who are in the House today, and the number of hon. members from all regions who are in the House today, that seemed to be a fair balance under the circumstances. If the hon. member could advise me which one of his colleagues ought to have been excluded so that I could have recognized him in addition to other hon. members from his region, I would be very pleased to have that advice.

**Mr. Muir:** Mr. Speaker, I rise on a question of privilege.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please.

**Mr. Muir:** I am not in the chair. It is your job to decide, not mine.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please.

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[English]

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