

Minister of State for Fitness and Amateur Sport (Mr. Jelinek) stopped this kind of spending and turned hockey back to the people of Canada.

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HONEY

COUNCIL EXECUTIVES' MEETINGS WITH MINISTERS

Mr. Jack Scowen (Mackenzie): Mr. Speaker, this is "a taste of honey" day for Members of Parliament who should have received a sample of honey from the Canadian Honey Council of Canada.

The executive of the Canadian Honey Council are in Ottawa today for their annual meetings with various Ministers to ensure that their product is the best in the world. The consumers of Canadian honey are the beneficiaries of these meetings.

I might add that about 30 per cent of honey produced in Canada comes from the constituency of Mackenzie.

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REFUGEES

CONDITIONS IN LEBANESE REFUGEE CAMP

Mr. Roland de Corneille (Eglinton—Lawrence): Mr. Speaker, suffering in the world caused by man's inhumanity to man is often so widespread that at times we run the risk of becoming insensitive to individual cases and fail to take action which might go some way toward alleviating the suffering.

I want to draw to the attention of Hon. Members a situation reported in *The Ottawa Citizen* last Saturday. According to observers at the United Nations, refugees living in the Bourj el Barajneh camp under siege in South Beirut are starving and have been forced to consider cannibalism as a means of survival. If this report is an accurate reflection of the conditions in the Lebanese refugee camp, it cries out for action on an urgent basis.

I call upon the Government today to request that Stephen Lewis, our Ambassador to the United Nations, request an immediate investigation of this situation and ensure that the appropriate international agencies be provided access to determine whether civilians are starving, and to provide food if that is the case.

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REFUGEES

TAMILS IN WEST GERMANY—REPORTED INTENTION TO SEEK REFUGEE STATUS IN CANADA

Mr. John Oostrom (Willowdale): Mr. Speaker, there are reports that Tamils who reside in West Germany will be attempting another journey to Canada to claim refugee status. It should be made clear that these individuals are not legitimate refugees, for they already reside in a country which gave them first asylum. Consequently, the Tamils do not have the same status as individuals who flee to Canada directly from a country torn by strife.

There is strong evidence that the Tamils entered West Germany via the safety of Tamil Nadu Province in South India. Canada cannot have our immigration system open to such abuse that it is creating a state of anarchy in the system. Our ability to help genuine refugees is being threatened, since costly social support services are being used to help individuals who make bogus claims. I urge the Government to alter regulations to admit only those who are legitimate convention refugees. Those who lie and cheat do not deserve the humanitarian and compassionate consideration which distinguishes Canada from other nations.

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INDUSTRY

FUTURE OF CANADA PACKERS PLANT IN WINNIPEG

Mr. David Orlikow (Winnipeg North): Mr. Speaker, the meat packing industry has played an important role in the economic well-being of the city of Winnipeg. Recently, as a result of the establishment of a hog processing plant in Neepawa, funded to a large extent by a federal government grant, Canada Packers has announced the lay-off of 450 workers at the Winnipeg plant. It is now considering closing the entire plant unless it can build a new one. That will require financial assistance from the province and the federal Government. I call upon the Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion (Mr. Côté) to give early and favourable consideration to federal support for the rebuilding of that plant.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD—QUESTIONS ASKED BY OPPOSITION MEMBERS

Mr. Gabriel Fontaine (Lévis): Mr. Speaker, for weeks if not months, we have had the same scenario during Oral Question Period. Around the wee hours of the morning, one of the Liberal Party's night owls pounces on the first copy of *The*