Privilege

Mr. Saint-Julien: Lasagna!

Mr. Mulroney: Yes, Lasagna Hébert! Senator Hébert's brother asked him to stop his fooling around in the Senate, and on behalf of all parliamentarians, I would ask the Liberal Party to try to talk some sense into the Liberal senators!

Some hon, members: Hear, hear.

[English]

THE ENVIRONMENT

Mrs. Marlene Catterall (Ottawa West): Mr. Speaker, on October 11 the premier of Saskatchewan claimed to have an agreement with the Minister of the Environment, reached on September 5, which watered down the whole environmental approach on the Rafferty-Alameda dam.

• (1500)

I have a draft agreement in my hand that addresses these issues. It is a draft agreement between the Minister of the Environment and the Saskatchewan Water Corporation which says: "It is expressly agreed that the corporation may now proceed to acquire land and take steps necessary to proceed with construction of the Alameda dam, that the corporation may proceed to do all that is necessary"—

Mr. Speaker: Given the time, I must ask the hon. member to put her question.

Mrs. Catterall: Has the minister seen such an agreement? Has he signed it? Has he discussed it in any way or agreed with it in any way?

Hon. Robert de Cotret (Minister of the Environment): Mr. Speaker, I would just like to reiterate that this whole discussion is under debate today in the House.

I would like to say that I am under a court order at the moment to have a panel at work. I will comply with that order. I will meet my obligation to appoint a panel as soon as possible to resume the environmental assessment work that was stopped last week.

PRIVILEGE

COMMENTS DURING QUESTION PERIOD

Mr. Don Boudria (Glengarry—Prescott—Russell): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a question of privilege arising out of Question Period wherein the Minister of State for Agriculture, inadvertently I am sure, led the House to believe erroneously that Dairy Farmers of Canada in November 1985 had agreed to the 5 per cent figure.

Dairy Farmers of Canada has just indicated to me over the phone that the—

Mr. Speaker: I hesitate to interrupt, but that is not a question of privilege. It is a matter of debate.

[Translation]

PRIVILEGE

FREEDOM OF ACCESS TO SENATE

Mr. Jean-Marc Robitaille (Terrebonne): Mr. Speaker, I thank you for granting me leave to raise a question of privilege today. It is my contention that my privileges—and, by the same token, those of all members—were breached yesterday afternoon by certain members of the other place.

After question period yesterday afternoon, Mr. Speaker, I went over to give Senator Jacques Hébert a message from one of my constituents who happens to be his brother. Senator Eymard Corbin, who was with Senator Hébert, tried to stop me by resorting to intimidation and insulting remarks like—

Some hon. members: Warriors! Warriors!

Mr. Robitaille: Warriors indeed.

If I may, Mr. Speaker, I should like to quote him. He said: "You have no business—

Mr. Speaker: I hesitate to interrupt the hon. member but this is not a question of privilege.