

## THE SENATE

Monday, April 14, 1980

### OPENING OF FIRST SESSION

#### THIRTY-SECOND PARLIAMENT

Parliament having been summoned by Proclamation to meet this day for the dispatch of business—

The Senate met at 9.00 a.m.

#### SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

READING OF COMMISSION APPOINTING  
THE HONOURABLE JEAN MARCHAND, P.C.

**The Honourable Jean Marchand, P.C.**, having taken the Clerk's chair, rose and informed the Senate that a Commission had been issued under the Great Seal of Canada, appointing him Speaker of the Senate.

The said Commission was then read by the Clerk.

**The Hon. the Speaker** then took the Chair at the foot of the Throne, to which he was conducted by the Honourable Senator Perrault, P.C., and the Honourable Senator Flynn, P.C., the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod preceding.

Prayers.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNOR GENERAL'S ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

**The Hon. the Speaker** informed the Senate that a communication had been received from the Administrative Secretary to the Governor General, as follows:

RIDEAU HALL  
OTTAWA  
GOVERNMENT HOUSE

April 14, 1980

Sir,

I am commanded to inform you that the Right Honourable Bora Laskin, Chief Justice of Canada, in his capacity as Deputy Governor General, will proceed to the Senate Chamber to open the First Session of the Thirty-second Parliament of Canada on this day, Monday, the fourteenth of April 1980, at 9.30 a.m.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,  
Edmond Joly de Lotbinière

Administrative Secretary to the Governor General

The Honourable

The Speaker of the Senate,  
Ottawa.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

#### APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY GOVERNOR GENERAL

**The Right Honourable Bora Laskin**, Deputy of His Excellency the Governor General, having come and being seated at the foot of the Throne—

**The Hon. the Speaker** commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that:

It is the desire of the Honourable the Deputy Governor General that they attend him immediately in the Senate Chamber.

The House of Commons being come,

**The Hon. the Speaker** said:

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General has been pleased to cause Letters Patent to be issued under his sign Manual and Signet constituting the Right Honourable Bora Laskin, Chief Justice of Canada, his Deputy, to do in His Excellency's name all acts on his part necessary to be done during His Excellency's pleasure.

The said Commission was then read by the Clerk.

**The Hon. the Speaker** said:

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

I have it in command to let you know that His Excellency the Governor General does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning the present Parliament of Canada until a Speaker of the House of Commons shall have been chosen, according to law; but this morning at