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are unnecessarily hurting women and punishing them for sexual activity.

I want to assure hospital officials and the Government of the Northwest Territories that hospitals and clinics elsewhere in Canada always use general or local anaesthetic for this procedure. No anaesthetic for this painful procedure is simply bad medical practice and will not be tolerated.

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[Translation]

## CHILD POVERTY

**Mr. Allan Koury (Hochelaga—Maisonneuve):** Mr. Speaker, many Canadian families feel the recession and the number of children living in poverty remains unacceptable for the federal government.

The federal government is using the resources at its disposal to reach the most disadvantaged. Besides supporting child care services under the Canada Assistance Plan, the government has introduced a child benefit that will give children much more and that is intended to improve the situation of low income working families. Resources will be increased to address the needs of vulnerable children.

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[English]

## FISHERIES

**Mr. Jim Fulton (Skeena):** Mr. Speaker, unless action is taken very quickly, there will be a salmon war of dangerous proportions on the west coast this fishing season.

The United States served notice at our embassy in Washington that it will now violate the Canada-U.S. salmon treaty. Last year, it overfished Fraser River bound sockeye by 510,000 and it plans to do it again this year.

This will force B.C. fishermen to target U.S. bound coho and chinook on the west coast of Vancouver Island. This is at a time when these stocks are already at risk from overfishing by the U.S. As in any war, the original violation will be forgotten in the uproar from California, Oregon and Washington over the harvest of U.S. bound fish by Canada.

This is a basic political issue. The Americans have been allowed to rob our transboundary stocks despite the treaty. Now they plan to rob the Fraser. This is best stopped now while there are stocks to save on the west coast of North America and a treaty worth the paper it is written on.

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## FISHERIES

**Hon. William Rompkey (Labrador):** Mr. Speaker, we all applaud the actions of those fishermen and boats from Newfoundland and Labrador that made a gesture on behalf of Canada yesterday.

The Minister of Fisheries and Oceans said that he would like to take his responsibilities and take control of the nose and tail of the Grand Banks. I ask him now to do that, to take his responsibilities and exercise control over the nose and tail of the Grand Banks.

It is not enough simply to get control of the fish. Once he gets control, I ask him to allocate quotas fairly because the two co-ops on the Labrador coast have been consistently denied a quota of offshore fish, even though those fishermen live close to the resource and depend on it historically.

There must be fairness built in the system for Labrador fishermen.

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## BOSNIA-HERCEGOVINA

**Mr. Alex Kindy (Calgary Northeast):** Mr. Speaker, the situation in Bosnia-Herzegovina is deteriorating. The Serbian-Cetniks are intimidating the ethnic minorities, particularly Ukrainians around the Prnjavor region.

Father P. Ovad from the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Bosnia-Herzegovina indicates that thousands of the minorities have had to leave their properties at gunpoint and are being subjected to physical violence including rapes, beatings, mutilations, assassinations and forced labour.

These human rights violations are being done under the auspices of the Serbian government in Belgrade and the Yugoslav army, the purpose of which is to resettle these territories with Serbians and to achieve a greater Serbia.