

policy on work force adjustment whose purpose is to redeploy the maximum number of employees declared surplus and laid off. This policy was revised in 1985 and these revisions were developed through consultation with the Public Service unions and were recommended by the Treasury Board for approval by the national joint council, a consultative body comprised of representatives of the Government and of all Public Service unions.

The work force adjustment policy provides for six months written notice from the date of lay-off, appointment to other positions in the Public Service on a priority basis; retraining for other positions within the Public Service; salary protection

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and entitlement to severance pay. It is expected that 85 per cent of employees affected will be reassigned to another part of the Public Service as a result of the application of this policy. As well, many of the remaining could be placed if they were willing to relocate at Government expense or if they were willing to accept lower paying jobs.

[*Translation*]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): The motion to adjourn the House is now deemed to have been adopted. Accordingly the House stands adjourned until tomorrow at 11 a.m., pursuant to Standing Order 3(1).

The House adjourned at 6.27 p.m.
