

*Oral Questions***ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS**

ALICE ARM, B.C.—DUMPING OF TAILINGS BY AMAX—CALL FOR IMPACT ASSESSMENT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Jim Fulton (Skeena):** Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the position taken by the Most Reverend E. W. Scott, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, calling for the withdrawal of the special order in council permitting Amax Corporation to dump its effluent into Alice Arm and to declare a moratorium on development of the resources until technology is developed to dispose safely of the tailings, and in view of the support given this intervention by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops chaired by the Most Reverend Remi J. De Roo, and the refusal of the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) to meet with the Primate regarding this issue, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles):

That this House call unanimously for a comprehensive environmental impact assessment and a full public inquiry on the Amax project and go on record supporting the positions of the Anglican and Catholic churches of Canada.

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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**THE ECONOMY**

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Ian Deans (Hamilton Mountain):** Madam Speaker, in light of the continued decline of Canada's manufacturing sector caused primarily by high interest rates for mortgages, business inventories, business expansion and consumer purchasing, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles):

That this House require that the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce produce for this Parliament his long overdue industrial strategy.

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

● (1415)

**ORAL QUESTION PERIOD**

[English]

**THE CONSTITUTION**

SUPREME COURT HEARING OF MANITOBA APPEAL—REQUEST FOR DELAY IN SENDING JOINT ADDRESS TO BRITISH PARLIAMENT

**Right Hon. Joe Clark (Leader of the Opposition):** Madam Speaker, my question would be to the Minister of Justice who I thought was going to be in the House today, but in his absence, and the absence of the Prime Minister, I will ask either the Acting Prime Minister or the Acting Minister of Justice.

The government will know that the Supreme Court of Canada will hear the Manitoba constitutional appeal on April 28, and that an expeditious hearing has been assured by the court. Will the government now give its assurance that it will delay sending its joint address to the parliament of another country before Canada's highest court has had a chance to rule on the constitutionality of that joint address?

**Hon. Bob Kaplan (Acting Minister of Justice):** Madam Speaker, I understand the Prime Minister will be here before the end of question period, and in view of that I take note of the question on his behalf.

**Mr. Baker (Nepean-Carleton):** Can you assure us of that?

**Mr. Clark:** Madam Speaker, if we can take that assurance, I will wait until the Prime Minister or the Minister of Justice arrives.

**Mr. Kaplan:** I am sorry; the information that I have is that the Minister of Justice will be here before the end of question period.

**An hon. Member:** Here he is.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**Mr. Clark:** Madam Speaker, on behalf of the House may I welcome the Minister of Justice back to a chamber in which men and women are offered equal admission.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**Mr. Clark:** My question to the Minister of Justice, whose late arrival momentarily delayed some of the proceedings of the House—

**Some hon. Members:** Oh, oh!

**Mr. Clark:** —was to draw his attention to the fact which he will already know, that the Supreme Court of Canada will hear the Manitoba constitutional appeal on April 28, and that they have promised an expeditious handling of that appeal. I ask him whether the Government of Canada will now give its assurance that it will delay sending its joint address to the