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Mr. Skelly: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I wonder if the Hon. Member might indulge me, since I missed the beginning of his speech, and go over a few of the points which he made.

Mr. Speaker: Of course, that is not a point of order.

Mr. Tobin: Mr. Speaker, the member of the New Democratic Party who just spoke has indicated the problem with his Party. It is a Party that believes there is a point in every direction. Of course, everyone knows that a point in every direction is no point at all. I will be glad, over the course of the next 20 or 30 hours in which I intend to be here, to review my comments from earlier today, as long as the Speaker says that I am not repetitive.

Canadians want this Parliament to deal with more than just the flashy, sexy and exciting items that tend to preoccupy Parliament. They want us to deal also with those issues that affect them where they live.

I suggest that Clause 4 of Bill C-75 is an attack on the primary producers of this country, whether they are fishermen, farmers, forestry workers, mine workers or the people who work on a rig 200 miles offshore. All of those people who collectively represent the engine that drives the economy of this country are under attack by a Bill that would impose upon them and their livelihood additional charges for services that historically are a right of the citizens of this country.

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STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO S.O. 21

[English]

NATIONAL REVENUE

EFFECT OF DEPARTMENT'S ATTEMPTS TO COLLECT TAX FROM TORONTO COMPANY

Mr. Alfonso Gagliano (Saint-Léonard—Anjou): Mr. Speaker, Friedrich Industries in Toronto sent us a letter stating that it has just been hit again by Revenue Canada. The company offered Revenue Canada \$40,000 downpayment on its debt on April 17, 1986. On April 18 Revenue Canada sent out third party demand notes to all customers of Friedrich Industries. On April 23 Irving Bank put Friedrich Industries into receivership because of Revenue Canada. On May 2, 175 persons were laid off because of Revenue Canada. With 175

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people at a minimum of \$200 a week collecting unemployment insurance benefits, it will cost the Government \$35,000 per week.

Revenue Canada should take a positive approach and negotiate with companies to solve problems and not be totally destructive—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Sixty seconds.

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SHIPBUILDING

SITUATION OF INDUSTRY—IMPORTANCE OF GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Mr. Ernie Epp (Thunder Bay—Nipigon): Mr. Speaker, representatives of the West Coast shipbuilding industry brought their concerns about rising unemployment in the shipyards to Ottawa yesterday. Canadian shipbuilders find themselves largely dependent these days on Government contracts, many let by the previous Liberal Government. The West Coast representatives are keenly aware that these Government contracts will keep the large East Coast and St. Lawrence yards busy over the next few years.

All of the shipbuilders have been bitterly disappointed by the Mulroney Government's failure to implement election promises to the shipbuilding industry that would produce commercial orders. The only hope of the large yards is Government contracts. Management and the workers are sure that the Polar 8 contract is ready to be let. They ask that this contract be let to the West Coast yard that put in the best bid to build this flagship for our northern Arctic fleet.

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MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

RESPECT REQUIRED FOR PARLIAMENTARY PROCESS

Mrs. Jennifer Cossitt (Leeds—Grenville): Mr. Speaker, as the House draws closer to its summer recess and parliamentarians return to their constituencies, I call upon each Member of Parliament to reflect upon his or her responsibility as individuals to respect the traditions of Parliament. I ask that we, in all seriousness and with sincerity, reassess our respective motives for seeking elected office, our response to the privilege of being elected to this House and, indeed, our actions in representing our constituents.

We were elected to show leadership, to give direction, and to act with maturity. If we continue to demonstrate our lack of respect for the parliamentary process and the traditions of Parliament, we cannot hope to command respect from each other as colleagues, from our constituents or, indeed, command respect for Canada in the eyes of other nations.