Natalie Slawinsky is carrying on in the field of political science and history, and I am sure that we will hear from her in a variety of capacities. The political experience gained here might be of help to her.

Finally, to Yannick Hébert, who is completing his Bachelor of Commerce degree with a specialization in accounting, I trust that the work of the chamber and the work he may have seen flowing from the National Finance Committee will be of some profit to him in his career.

On behalf of the members of the opposition, we wish God speed to those pages.

Hon. Senators: Hear, hear!

[Translation]

ROYAL ASSENT

NOTICE

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that the following communication had been received:

RIDEAU HALL

July 13, 1995

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that The Honourable Peter deC. Cory, Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Canada, in his capacity as Deputy Governor General, will proceed to the Senate Chamber today, the 13th day of July 1995, at 12:30 p.m., for the purpose of giving Royal Assent to certain bills.

Yours sincerely,

Anthony P. Smyth Deputy Secretary, Policy, Program and Protocol

The Honourable The Speaker of the Senate Ottawa

[English]

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

FIREARMS BILL

PRESENTATION OF PETITION

Hon. Leonard J. Gustafson: Honourable senators, I have a petition to Parliament assembled on Bill C-68, the Firearms Act.

We, the undersigned citizens of Canada, wish to protest the following provisions in Bill C-68:

1. The universal registration of long guns.

2. The requirement of a Firearms Possession Certificate to replace the Firearms Acquisition Certificate.

3. Registration and controls on the purchase of ammunition.

4. Provisions that will ban the purchase and use of .25 and .32 caliber handguns and handguns with a barrel length of less than 4.14 inches.

5. Regulation by Order in Council.

Therefore your petitioners humbly pray and call upon Parliament to refrain from passing Bill C-68 as it presently stands with the above-mentioned provisions.

• (1140)

QUESTION PERIOD

DELAYED ANSWERS TO ORAL QUESTIONS

Hon. B. Alasdair Graham (Deputy Leader of the Government): Honourable senators, I have several delayed answers. I have a response to a question raised in the Senate on May 3, 1995, by the Honourable Senator Pierre Claude Nolin, regarding discussions with provinces on Manpower training; a response to a question raised in the Senate on May 23, 1995, by the Honourable Senator Forrestall, regarding the Federal-Provincial Strategic Highway Improvement Program; another response to a question raised in the Senate on May 24, 1994, by the Honourable Senator Forrestall regarding the Federal-Provincial Strategic Highway Improvement Program; and a response to a question raised by the Honourable Gerald J. Comeau on May 24, 1995, regarding the Federal-Provincial Strategic Highway Improvement Program; and a response to a question raised by the Honourable Gerald J. Comeau on May 24, 1995, regarding the Federal-Provincial Strategic Highway Improvement Program.

I also have a response to a question raised in the Senate on May 25, 1995, by the Honourable Senator Comeau, regarding the Federal-Provincial Strategic Highway Improvement Program. I have a response to a question raised in the Senate on May 25, 1995, by the Honourable Senator Forrestall, regarding the Federal-Provincial Strategic Highway Improvement Program. I have a response to a question raised in the Senate on May 25, 1995, by the Honourable Senator Lowell Murray, regarding the Federal-Provincial Strategic Highway Improvement Program; a response to a question raised in the Senate on June 5, 1995, by the Honourable Senator Di Nino regarding the protest over granting a visa to a Taiwanese official; and a response to questions raised in the Senate on April 5, 1995, and June 6, 1995, by the Honourable Senator Lowell Murray regarding remarks by Senator Stollery on Mexico.