Canadian issue. This is a Canadian issue which affects every Canadian from coast to coast. When the Government tries to regionalize issues such as this, what it is trying to do is to balkanize Canada.

Mr. Gauthier: That's right.

Mr. Hopkins: That is what it is trying to do with this financial situation today. We heard all kinds of promises, Mr. Speaker, in the last election campaign. We were told about the wonderful things this Government was going to do. Now the Government says it cannot do these things because there is no money. Yet we have enough money to bail out a bank at the rate of \$1 billion. There is nothing to it, Mr. Speaker, even though some of the Government's own Members do not even know the amount of money which is involved in this Bill. The Conservative Government is trying to blame the Liberals for the regulatory system which is in place in Canada today. If the regulatory system is so bad in the banking industry in Canada, why then did the Minister of State for Finance (Mrs. McDougall), the Minister of Finance (Mr. Wilson) and the Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney) tell people to invest their money in the Canadian Commercial Bank because it was one of the greatest things since sliced bread? What it is doing here today in this Bill-

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Charest): Order.

Mr. Hopkins: —is not only bailing out its rich friends but it is bailing out the Minister of Finance—

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Charest): Order.

Mr. Hopkins: —the Minister of State for Finance and the Prime Minister.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Charest): Order.

Mr. Gauthier: Good speech.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Charest): I am happy to know that from the Hon. Member for Ottawa-Vanier (Mr. Gauthier).

It being 1.05 o'clock p.m., the two hours provided for the consideration of the motion now before the House, under the provisions of Standing Order 84, have expired. Accordingly, under the terms of the Standing Order, it is my duty to interrupt the proceedings and put every question necessary to dispose of the motion.

Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Charest): All those in favour of the motion will please say yea?

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

Time Allocation

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Charest): All those opposed to the motion will please say nay.

Some Hon. Members: Nay.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Charest): In my opinion the yeas have it.

And more than five Members having risen:

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Charest): Call in the Members. During the ringing of the bells:

Mr. Gray (Windsor West): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order in connection with the vote. This vote is being taken after the House accepted the request of the Government for extended hours. I question whether the bells, under the circumstances, should ring for only 15 minutes rather than, in accordance with, the usual practice, ring until both the Government and Opposition Whips are ready to come in.

I say this because we are not dealing with a situation within the fixed time provided for by the rules. We are under extended hours and, therefore, I submit to you, Sir, that the bells should not cease ringing automatically 15 minutes after the call of the vote.

Mr. Hnatyshyn: Mr. Speaker, I appreciate very much receiving some forwarning from the Opposition House Leader of his intention to raise this question. If I can refer you to Standing Order 9.(4), Mr. Speaker, with respect to extending hours, this motion is intended to extend:

—a sitting through a lunch or dinner hour or beyond the ordinary hour of daily adjournment for the purpose of considering a specified item of business or a stage or stages thereof—

We are not entering into a new stage or into a new consideration of the debate by any means but we are simply continuing on with respect to the debate which is presently before the House. It does not introduce any new dimension with respect to the debate; it is only to conclude the debate. Therefore, it is my submission to you, Sir, that the provision with respect to the limited bell of 15 minutes does apply in this instance and it would apply in the course of the debate under normal circumstances, a new element not having been introduced into this matter.

Mr. Deans: Mr. Speaker, my point of order is related but somewhat different. I do not understand how we can be debating a point of order while the bells are ringing. It is quite clear that all business in the House ceases when the bells start to ring.

Mr. Fulton: Then you had better sit down.

Mr. Deans: As my colleague says, I should not even be standing. But while I am on my feet, let me make one point. I believe that the extension of the hours takes us beyond the normal hour, that the rule for the debate of two hours is that normally it was considered to be a debate during the ordinary sitting hours of the House. Therefore, the length of the bell is at the discretion of the party Whips rather than a 15 minute